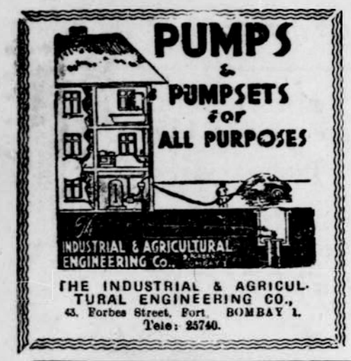

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Graziani Exposes Mussolini

"ALL CLEAR" FOR BALKAN BLITZ?

Russo-Rumanian Pact Sensation

BUTLER SAYS NAZIS WILL MARCH ON BULGARIA

BERLIN, February 26.

Owing to improved weather, shipping has been resumed along the whole course of the Danube between Rumania and Bulgaria and as far as the Yugoslav frontier, says the official German News Agency from Bucharest.

Negotiations for a Commercial Treaty between Kussia and Rumania proceeding during the past year ended to-day with the signing of a trade and shipping agreement and an agreement concerning goods and payments, according to a Moscow telegram to the Official German News Agency.

Exchange of goods to the value of eight million dollars is foreseen in the first treaty year. Rumania will deliver chiefly Naptha and mineral oils in exchange for cotton and manganese.

BRITAIN AND BULGARIA

Interpellation In Commons

LONDON, Feb. 26

All information suggests that German preparations for the occupation of Bulgaria are now far advanced.

Mr. Butler made this declaration in the House of Commons on (Wednesday), when asked whether the British Institute at Sofia had been closed by the order of the Bulgarian authorities.

Mr. Butler explained that the British Minister at Sofia had been given discretion to arrange for the departure of the staff of the British Institute when he considered it desirable. Mr. Butler assumed that the British Minister had now exercised this discretion.

Mr. Butler gave no reply, when asked whether the Bulgarian Government had been informed that unless they were prepared to defend their independence by force, they would be regarded as a hostile country and their communications be bombed.

ATTITUDE OF TURKEY

"Yes" declared Mr. Butler in the House of Commons today, when asked whether the British Government was completely satisfied with the way their Turkish Allies were carrying out their agreement.

Mr. Butler added that the British Government had been kept fully informed of the negotiations leading up to the Turko-Bulgarian Agreement. He drew attention to the preamble of the Agreement which states that the agreement was without prejudice to the two countries' contractual engagements with other parties.

RUMANIA BETRAYS

Transfer Of Polish Prisoners To Germany

Britain had entered a most vigorous protest against the sending of interned Polish sofildiers in Rumania to Germany.

Mr. Butler revealed this in the House of Commons today, when he characterised the action as violation of international law. On January 31st, he added, competent Rumanian authorities had informed the Chilean Legation who were in charge of Polish interests in Rumania that all interned Polish soldiers would be sent to Germany immediately. A protest was lodged by the Chilean Charge D'Affaires and the British Minister at Bucharest vigorously supported the protest.

The only explanation given by the Rumanian Government was that they regarded the question as a purely internal matter which they were not prepared to discuss.

Sir Reginald Hoare immediately expressed the strongest disapproval of this attitude. Subsequently on instructions from London, he formally notified the Rumanian Government that if so base an act were permitted, the British Government would not forget that General Antonescu and members of His Government bore personal responsibility.

When the British Minister left Bucharest, it was understood that the Rumanian Government had at least temporarily delayed action, but there was some reason to suppose that it had now taken place.

The House of Commons cheered when Sir William Davison declared that there would be warm satisfaction in Britain at the vigour of the British protest.

YUGOSLAV MINISTER AT BUDAPEST

BUDAPEST, Feb. 26.

M. Cincas-Markovitch, the Yugoslav Foreign Minister, arrived here this morning on a two-day official State visit. He will see the Prime Minister, Count Teleki and other Hungarian Ministers.—Reuter.

Hitler Manufacturing British Uniforms

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.

Hitler is known to have manufactured 7,00,000 British uniforms and an equal number of parachutes for the invasion of England, declared the former Assistant Secretary of War, Mr. Louis Johnson in a speech. Hitler had also had ready quantities of poison gases, he added.—Reuter.

EDEN GREETED AT ANKARA

LONDON, Feb. 26.

Mr. Anthony Eden, the British Foreign Secretary, and Gen. Sir John Dill, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, arrived in Ankara this morning. They were met at the station by Mr. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister.

A huge crowd had assembled at the station, and as the train with Mr. Eden and Sir John Dill aboard approached there were loud and prolonged cheers and shouts of "Long live Eden", "Long live Dill". Mr. Eden and Sir John Dill were greeted by M. Sarajoglu, and Vice President of the Turkish General Staff, General Secretary of the Turkish Foreign Office, Governor of Ankara and other high officials, the British Ambassador, the Ministers of Belgium and Netherlands, British Air, Naval and military attaches. The Military band played the British and Turkish national anthems.

Mr. Eden and Sir John Dill will, it is understood, return to Cairo for a few days after their visit to Ankara.

The Public Bill Office on the east side of Cloister Court, the Votes and Proceedings Office on the South, and the old members' staircase leading from Star Court to the inner lobby of the House of Commons were destroyed in a recent raid on London. The members' cloakrooms and the Members' Secretaries Offices were damaged and the inner lobby regarded as unsafe.

Photo shows: The interior of the members' cloakroom in the House of Commons damaged. At the side, the traditional tapes once used by members to hold their swords and still placed there as one of the customs of "The House" can be seen.

Italian Threat to U. S. A.

SHIPS TO BRITAIN WILL BE SUNK

ROME, Feb. 26.

The threat that any vessels even those flying the authentic American flag attempting to reach Britain would be sunk is made in to-day's (Wednesday's) Popolo d'Italia.—Reuter.

GRAZIANI'S CHARGE-SHEET

Denounces Mussolini's War Policy

MADE PRISONER IN HIS OWN HOUSE

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Feb. 26.

According to the "Daily Telegraph's" Lisbon correspondent, it is reliably reported that Marshal Graziani has been a prisoner in his own house in Rome since January although the Italian public have not been told of his whereabouts. It is stated, after the fall of Bardia, Marshal Graziani proceeded to Rome and attended a meeting of the War Council under Mussolini's Chairmanship whereat, he fully repudiated the Duce's whole war strategy which included the invasion of Egypt.

Marshal Graziani told the Council that he had resigned the Command after the death of General Balbo because he himself was responsible for shooting down Balbo's plane mistakenly but continued the Command under Mussolini's order.

Marshal Graziani told the Council again that he has offered Mussolini resignation of the Command as well as membership of the Fascist Party.

Marshal Graziani's denunciation of Mussolini's war policy so upset the Duce that after the meeting of the Council, Marshal Graziani was imprisoned.

MATSUOKA FOR MOSCOW

LONDON, Feb. 26.

Japanese circles in Shanghai assert that the Japanese Foreign Minister Mr. Matsuoka will shortly visit Moscow to sign an agreement with the Soviet, the Shanghai correspondent of the Free French agency reports.—Reuter.

Capital Of Italian Somaliland Falls

NAIROBI, February 26.

It is officially announced that advanced elements of British East African and West African troops occupied Mogadishu, the capital of Italian Somaliland yesterday.

Mogadishu is a harbour town with a population of 50,000 of whom 20,000 are Italians.

RECORD-BREAKING ADVANCE

After a record-breaking advance from the Juba river, Imperial troops have captured Mogadishu, capital and chief port of Italian Somaliland.

This announcement contained in an official 'communique' issued in Nairobi to-day which says "British troops' response to the inspiring message sent to them on the eve of the Jubaland operations by Lieutenant-General A. G. Cunningham, G.O.C., on the Italian-Somaliland front—"Hit them, hit them hard and hit them again".

The capture of Mogadishu means that British force advanced 100 miles since Monday, when the coastal town of Brava was captured. Mogadishu was the principal Italian base for their forces coming from Somaliland during the Italian campaign against Abyssinia.

BR. ADVANCE IN ERITREA

Details given in London to-day show that in Eritrea, the British column coming from the north which was last heard of at Cub Cub is advancing further south and is now some 50 miles away from Keren. Further south, British forces are advancing from Barentu towards Areza on the road north of Asmara. Rapid advance in this area is not expected not only on account of the topographical difficulties but because the retreating Italians are making full use of landmines.

In Libya British forces have not yet attacked Jarabub, where Italians continue to congratulate themselves on their fine defence. —Reuter.

Thrusts On Three Fronts

CAIRO, Feb. 26.

Further progress by the patriot forces in Abyssinia is reported in the latest communique from the G. H. Q., in Cairo which tells of

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NAZI TROOPS IN N. AFRICA?

ROME, Feb. 26.

The presence of German troops in North Africa emerges in a statement that on the morning of February 24. Units of the German corps in Africa for the first time contacted the enemy southeast of Agedabia, which is sixty miles south of Benghazi.

LONDON VIEW

LONDON, Feb. 26.

It is stated in authoritative quarters that it is not improbable that there are small German forces in Africa but certainly not a corps.—Reuter.

WEYGAND AT ALGIERS

VICHY, Feb. 26.

Gen. Weygand arrived at Algiers by air to-day after a fortnight's tour of French West Africa.—Reuter.

German Naval Commander In Fatal Accident

BERLIN, Feb. 26.

One of the best-known commanders of the last war, Vice-Admiral Lothar De La Perriere, the German Naval Commander for occupied territory, met with a fatal accident on Monday. it is announced to-day.

Admiral Raeder, Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Fleet to-day paid a warm tribute to the dead man who, he declared "was honoured by friend and foe alike". —Reuter.

SYDNEY.— Senator McBride, Australian Minister of Supply, announced that the Federal Government would begin immediately the building of merchant ships.

VIZZY SEEKS PERMIT TO OFFER SATYAGRAHA

But Mahatma Says He Has Not Fulfilled Conditions

SATYAGRAHA ARRESTS AND CONVICTIONS

WARDHAGANJ, February 26.

Mr. Mahadev Desai has issued the following statement:—

"On being asked to give permission to offer Satyagraha by the Maharajkumar of Vizianagram Gandhiji said that he could not give permission because the Maharajkumar's relations including the Kumarani were against his doing so and also because he did not fulfil all conditions of the Satyagraha pledge."—United Press.

GANDHIJI HIS SOLE DICTATOR

Sir Vijaya On His Future Plans

(From Our Correspondent)

NAGPUR, Feb. 26

I am completely in the hands of Gandhiji and future plans depend on his dictation said Sir Vijaya of Vijayanagram in the course of an interview to your correspondent at Nagpur station.

The Maharajkumar is accompanying Gandhiji to Allahabad.

Gandhiji entrained at Nagpur where huge crowd greeted him.

Asked whether he was meeting Sir T. B. Sapru at Allahabad Gandhiji said "Don't know. I am going for only one work."

LESSON OF SEVAGRAM

"I find that a visit to Sevagram has got the greatest educative value. Plain living and broad thinking is the keynote of every thing you see there. The life in the Ashram is made up of elements that make for ever-lasting human happiness", said Maharajkumar Sir Vijaya of Vizianagram in an interview to the United Press prior to his departure for Nagpur this noon 'en route' to Allahabad.

Asked about his impressions of the talk he had with Mahatma Gandhi he said that he felt convinced that Mahatma Gandhi was still very optimistic in regard to Hindu-Muslim unity.

Regarding the present deadlock Sir Vijaya said: "There can be no possibility of 'rapprochement' until the elementary human right of freedom of speech is conceded."—United Press.

Gandhiji To Break Journey At Jubbulpore?

JUBBULPORE, Feb. 26.

In response to a request by Pandit Girjashankar Agnihotri of the Mahakoshal Provincial Congress Committee Mahatma Gandhi, it is understood will break journey at Jubbulpore to-morrow on his way to Allahabad. He will proceed to Allahabad by the Bombay mail after a three hours' halt here.

Arrangements are being made to present him with purses for the Kamala Nehru Hospital Memorial Fund.—A.P.

Maharajkumar Sir Vijaya of Vizianagram.

CROWDS GREET GANDHIJI AT NAGPUR

Sir Vizia On His Visit To Sevagram

NAGPUR, Feb. 26

A large crowd greeted Mahatma Gandhi who accompanied by Mr. Mahadev Desai, arrived here by car and entrained for Allahabad.

Mahatma Gandhi as usual asked for contributions to the Harijan Fund before the train steamed out.

Maharajkumar Sir Vizia of Vizianagram also arrived with Mahatma Gandhi and travelled in the latter's compartment to continue their discussions on the political situation.

Sir Vizia in an interview to the Press stated that his visit to Sevagram had a great educative value. He also said that Mahatma Gandhi was very optimistic about achieving Hindu-Muslim unity.—A. P.

Japanese War Move Under Cloak Of Peace Parleys

Nazi Military Advisers For 'Blitz' in Far East: Naval And Troops Concentration In Formosa And Hainan

SHANGHAI, Feb. 26.

A contingent of over eighty German and Italian military advisers have arrived at Hainan Island off the French Indo-China, according to unconfirmed Chinese press reports.

It is stated that they are being organised into five groups to assist the Japanese forces to map out plans for an advance to the south. The same reports state that more than a hundred Japanese warships including destroyers, submarines and two aircraft carriers are concentrating around Hainan Island, Tonking Bay and the adjoining islands. Ninety-thousand Japanese troops it is added, were detailed recently to Formosa and Hainan.—Reuter.

Pessimism About Tokio Mission

SHANGHAI, Feb. 26.

Although the peace talks between Indo-China and Thailand

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Wanted candidates for station-master, and signaller's course scholarship Rs. 30|- and Railway fare terms. Free quarter. Apply with 2 annas stamps The Director, All-India Railway Routine Training Institute, Delhi. (14143)

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Available immediately newly painted ground and second floor of Sukhsagar Bungalow at Peddar Road. Apply: — Purushottamdas Tulsibhai Patel, Gadiali Bldg., No. 22, Nowroji Seth Street, Thakurdwar, Bombay 2. (14264)

191. MEDICAL ADLETS.

A Himalaya's herb of 100 years fame for Asthma relief to be taken one dose on 13th March (full moon). Apply to Sidh Baba Sewa Ashram, P.O. Chitrakot (Banda U.P.). (14260)

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Premier Astrologer: Annual reading Re. 1, 5 years Rs. 2|8. Send horoscope or writing time: Pioneer Astrological Bureau, Vizianagram City. (14133)

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NOTICE.

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of Members of the Orient Club will be held at the Club premises on FRIDAY, the 7th March, 1941, at 7 p.m. (S.T.) to transact the following business:—

1. To consider the question of rescinding Rule 30.
2. To consider the question of rescinding Rule 30A.

D. W. DITCHBURN,
M. M. AMERSEY,
Joint Honorary Secretaries.
(4428)

NOTICE.

THE SAHYADRI INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD., NASIK.

THE 2ND MEETING of the POLICY-HOLDERS of the Company will be held at its Registered Office on SUNDAY, the 30th March, 1941, at 4 P. M. (S.T.) to transact the following business:

(1) To elect five Directors to represent the policy-holders on the Board of Directors from amongst the eligible policy-holders, in place of all the five sitting Directors of policy-holders, who retire and are eligible for re-election (vide Art. 109).
(2) To recommend Auditor or Auditors to the Shareholders for appointment (vide Art. 92).

NOTE:—The Policy-holder offering himself for election must hold on the day of this election a Policy or policies of aggregate assured value of Rs. 5,000|- or upwards, which policy or policies shall have been in force for one year as prescribed by law in that behalf and be free from any encumbrance. He must not be a Director (other than elected Director), Manager, Legal or Technical Adviser, Managing Agent, Insurance Agent, or Employee of any Insurance Company or an Employer of Insurance Agents. Policy-holder seeking election should apply to the Company not less than 10 days before the date of the Meeting. Policy-holders desiring to attend this Meeting should apply for a certificate of admission at least 15 days before the date of the Meeting. The policy-holders possessing such certificate will alone be eligible for admission.

G. G. SOUNDANKAR.
Managing Director.
Nasik, 25th February, 1941.
(4426)

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the CLOTH BUSINESS which Mr. GORDHANDAS MATHURADAS, carried on in his own name in Ghadyal Gully, Mulji Jetha Market, Bombay, was CLOSED as from Aso Vad 30th S. Y. 1996 (i.e. 30th October, 1940), all debts and liabilities of the said business having been duly discharged and paid by him.

At the same place in Mulji Jetha Market, Bombay, Mr. KARSONDAS VALLABHDAS and Mr. DULABHJI GOVINDJI have been carrying on Cloth Business on their own account under the name and style of Thaker Gordhandas Mathradas since Kartak Sud 1st, S. Y. 1997 (i.e. 31st October, 1940). It is hereby notified that our client Mr. Gordhandas Mathuradas has no share or interest of any kind whatever in the said business and is not concerned with the same and that he is not responsible in any manner for the dealings and debts and liabilities of the business which Mr. Karsondas Vallabhdas and Mr. Dulabhji Govindji are carrying on under the name of Thaker Gordhandas Mathradas.

Dated this 26th day of February, 1941.

PAYNE & CO.,
Attorneys for Mr. Gordhandas Mathuradas.
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Public Notices

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY.
BOMBAY SPHERE, BOMBAY.

"SUPPLY OF SHOES WHITE CANVAS RUBBER SOLE."

THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF CONTRACTS, Contracts Directorate, Shahibag House, Wittet Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, invites tenders for supply of 4817 pairs of above mentioned stores.

The price of the Tender is Rs. 2|- per set, and is not refundable and the forms are not transferable.

Payment should be made in cash or by Money Order only to the Assistant Director of Contracts, Bombay. Money Order Coupons must state:—

(a) Tender No. (SY.8E|416).
(b) Name of the applicant.
(c) Full address of applicant

(Money Orders received without full information are liable to be refused).

Tenders will be received up to 4 P.M. on 5-3-41.

Applicants not already on the Director of Contracts list of approved contractors, must state in their application for tender forms the name of their bankers.
(4424)

INDIAN STORES DEPARTMENT.
TENDER NOTICE.

THE CONTROLLER OF PURCHASE, Indian Stores Department, Bombay, invites tenders for the supply of brass bars 5|8 in. dia, to the Controller of Stores, G.I.P. Railway, Parel, Bombay.

Tender form No. MP. B.H. 4335 may be obtained from him on payment in cash of Rs. 3|- per set. Tenders will be opened at 12 noon on 18th March, 1941.
(4419)

ORIENTAL GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the loss of Policy numbered 390425 on the life of Mical Nazareth of Mazagaon, Bombay. Duplicate Policy will be issued unless objection is lodged with us within one month from this date.

(Sd.) H. E. JONES
Manager.
Bombay, 27th February 1941.
(14269)

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED for 4% AHMEDABAD MUNICIPAL LOAN OF RS. 4,00,000|- being the first instalment of the Pole-Pavement Loan of Rs. 6,70,000|- as per sanction accorded by Government under their Resolution in the G. D. No. 4187|33 dated 15-2-1941 so as to reach the Chief Officer before 4 P.M. of 6th March, 1941. The tenders should be accompanied by a deposit of 5% of the par value of the debentures tendered for. No tender without deposit will be considered. Copies of the prospectus showing full particulars of the Loan and of the tender forms can be had free of charge from the Chief Accountant of the Municipality either on application or in person.

THE LOAN IS REPAYABLE AT PAR AT THE END OF 10 YEARS.

(Sd) I. R. BHAGAT,
Chief Officer.
Ahmedabad Municipality.
Municipal Office, Ahmedabad.
22-2-1941.
(4423)

GHATKOPAR-KIROL MUNICIPALITY.

NOTICE.

(Under Sections 64 and 65 of the District Municipal Act, 1901).

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Assessment Lists of the Ghatkopar-Kirol Municipality for the year 1941-42 have been completed and published and are open for inspection at the Municipal Office at Ghatkopar during office hours on all working days.

Any person claiming to be either owner or occupier of any property included in the lists and any agent of such person shall be at liberty to inspect the lists and to take extracts therefrom without any charge.

If any such owner, occupier or representative has any objection to this Assessment, he or she should send his or her objection in writing to the undersigned "within one month" of the date of this notice after which term no application will be considered.

J. K. VAISHNAV,
Chairman,
Managing-Committee,
Ghatkopar-Kirol Municipality.
Municipal Office,
Ghatkopar, 26th February, 1941.
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Public Notices

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

On and from 1st March, 1941, the Head Office of the ZENITH LIFE ASSURANCE CO., LTD. will be situated at MEHTA HOUSE, APOLLO STREET, FORT, BOMBAY, from where all business will be transacted.

BYRAMJEE HORMUSJEE,
General Manager.
Bombay, 25th Feb. 1941.
(4425)

NOTICE.

To
The Shareholders of the
Bombay Dyeing & Manufacturing Co., Ltd.

AN INFORMAL MEETING of the shareholders of the above Company will be held in Dr. Sir JIVANJI MODI MEMORIAL HALL at K. R. Cama Oriental Institute on the 3rd day of March, 1941, at 6 p. m. to consider and take suitable measures for appreciation (on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee) of the 50 years valuable services of Sir Ness Wadia K.B.E. C.I.E., to the Company.

All shareholders are requested to attend.

Dated this 26th day of February 1941.

JAGMOHANDAS J. KAPADIA.
BAPUJI D. LAM,
M. A. J. NOBLE,
Shareholders.
(4427)

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KHATIZABAI, widow of Mahomed Essa Chunawala, UMAR MAHOMED ESSA CHOONAWALA, EBRAHIM MAHOMED ESSA CHOONAWALA and HASSAN MAHOMED ESSA CHOONAWALA, the last two being minors by the guardian of their person and property appointed by the Bombay High Court the said Khatizabai have agreed to sell the undermentioned property to our clients.

All persons having any claim to or upon or interest in the said property by way of mortgage, charge, inheritance, lease, sale, gift, lien or otherwise howsoever are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be considered to have been waived and the purchase will be completed without any regard thereto.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground of Pension and Tax Tenure (now redeemed) with the messuage tenement or building standing thereon situate, lying and being at Cadell Road on the East side of Mahim Bazar Road in Bombay and in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 1215 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Collector's Old No. 254, New No. C|3933, New Survey No. 16|5 and Cadastral Survey No. 1347 of Mahim Division and assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under 'G' Ward Nos. 5129(5), 5129(6), 5129(6a) and 5129(6b), Old Street Nos. 457(5) 457(6), 457(6a) New Street Nos. 457(5), 457(6), 17, 19, 21, 23 and 19A and bounded, on the East by a Public passage, on the West by the Mahim Bazar Road now called Cadell Road, on the North by the properties of Ganchi Sultan Suleman and Yamoonabai Ganchi Noormahomed and on the South by the property of Mahomed Ibrahim Manomed Jaffer Toongekar.

Dated this 26th day of February, 1941.

PAYNE & Co.,
Attorneys for Purchasers.
(4430)

CORRECTION.

HIGH COURT.
IN INSOLVENCY.

No. 34 of 1941.

In the advertisement appearing in column 5 page 2 of the issue of this paper of MONDAY, the 24th instant READ "MANECKSHAW" instead of "Manchershaw".

Dated this 26th day of February, 1941.

S. S. RANGNEKAR,
Insolvency Registrar.
(4410)

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. PHILLIP FERNANDES of Bombay Christian Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to my client.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at his Office at 41, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of Vacant land being Plot No. 221 with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate, lying and being at the junction of Cadell Road and the proposed 60' Road in the City and Island and Sub-Registration District of Bombay containing on actual admeasurement 685-03 Square Yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 1554 (part) Cadastral Survey No. 1956 of Mahim Division and in the books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under G Ward No. 4566 (1A), Street No. 272 and bounded as follows:—That is to say, on or towards the East by Cadell Road; on or towards the West by Municipal Plot No. 223; on or towards the North by the proposed 60' Road; and on or towards the South by Municipal Plot No. 222 and is delineated with the boundaries thereof on the Plan thereto annexed and thereon coloured Pink and surrounded by a Red coloured boundary line.

Dated this 25th day of February, 1941.

JOSEPH A. DIAS,
Purchasers' Attorney.
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Auction Sales

BENNETT & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF SHOW-CASES, SAFES AND OTHER FURNITURE OF JEWELLERS SHOP.

Under instructions from the Court Receiver in Suit No. 2208 of 1940 (Irani v/s. Kanga) Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will sell by public auction to-day THURSDAY, the 27th February, 1941, at 3 P.M. (S.T.) at Princess Street opp. Gamadia Girls' School in the shop of Messrs. Kanga Jamshed & Co., the undermentioned.

Plate glass show cases and almirahs wooden file cabinets, Godrej safe with stand, Allwyn almirah, 2 Goldwyn large safes, writing tables and chairs, workman's table with tools, electric fan, lights and bulbs, large lot of empty jewellery cases, Corona portable typewriter, collapsible, doors, etc.,

BENNETT & CO.,

NOTICE.

The sale of properties at Old Bengalpura Street which was advertised to take place TO-DAY by order of Messrs. Mulla & Mulla, Attorneys for the Mortgagees, and on account and at the risk of Haji Oosmanbhai Yoosufbhai, the Mortgagor, has been postponed till further notice.

SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY, known as Abdulla Karim Mansion at the junction of Memonwada Road and New Bengalipura Street under instructions from Messrs. Udwadia & Co., Attorneys for the Mortgagees and on account and at the risk of the Mortgagors Abdulla Karim Cassam and Others;

On THURSDAY, the 6th March, 1941, at 4-30 p.m. on the premises of the property.

Perpetual Fazandari land admeasuring about 194-4|9 Sq. Yds. and another piece of land about 11 Sq. Yds. all which admeasures after a portion thereof was acquired by the Bombay Municipality 159.56 Sq. Yds. according to Cadastral Survey extract and bears C. S. No. 1501 Mandvi Division with a building thereon bearing New Street Nos. 29-31-8-10 and situate at the junction of Memonwada Road and New Bengalipura Street.

Full particulars and conditions of sale can be obtained from Messrs. Udwadia & Co., Solicitors, 17-19, Dalal Street, or from the undersigned.

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123, Medows Street, Bombay.

Auction Sales

GANDHI & CO.

Government Auctioneers.

AUCTION SALE OF 2484 CRATES OF SEED POTATOES.

Under instructions from The Assistant Director of Contracts, Department of Supply, Bombay, Messrs. GANDHI & Co., Auctioneers will offer for sale by Public Auction on Friday the 28th February, 1941 at 3-30 P.M. (S.T.) at Shed No. 6, Victoria Docks:—

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NAVYUG'S Comedy-Gem
'LAGNA PAHAWE KAROON'
(HUNT FOR A HUSBAND)
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To-morrow Matinee:
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RANJIT'S MUSICAL HIT
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ADULT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Progress Reviewed At Annual General Meeting

The 6th annual general meeting of the Bombay Presidency Adult Education Association was held at the Cama Oriental Institute, Bombay, on Tuesday evening.

Mr. R. P Masani, presided and in a brief speech recommending the adoption of the year's report said that the association had rendered notable service. He stressed the need for the continuation and expansion of the association's activities and suggested that general education and cultural service were two aspects of its work which deserved the immediate attention of the association.

The following office-bearers and Council members were then unanimously elected:—

Mr. R. P. Masani: President. Rev. Dr. John McKenzie: Vice-President. Dewan Bahadur K. M. Jhaveri: Vice-President. Mr P. R. Bhatt: Hon. Treasurer Prof. R. Choksi: Hon. Secretary

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mrs. Hansa Mehta, Mrs. R. B Billimoria, Miss J. D. Bharda, Miss A B. J. Rustomji, Rev. Fr. J. Duhr, Prof P. A. Wadia, Prof V G. Rao, Dr. Clifford Manshardt, Prof. N. K. Bhagwat, The Rev. J. Kellock, Mr M. B. Parakh, Prin. G. R. Paranjpe, Mr. K. D. Acharya, Mr. G. L. Chandavarkar and Prof. J. C Daruvala.

127 Convicted For Unlicensed Radio Sets

NEW DELHI, Feb. 25.

Out of 249 cases of prosecution for possessing unlicensed radio sets, disposed of during the last three months of 1940. 235 resulted in conviction. There were 127 convictions in the Punjab and North West Frontier Provinces. 32 in Bombay. 27 in Bengal and Assam, 22 in the United Provinces. 15 in Sind and Baluchistan, 6 in Central Provinces, 3 in Bihar and Orissa, and 3 in Madras.—A. P.

Ban On Surma Valley Students' Conference

SYLHET, Feb. 24.

It is understood that the Government has refused permission to hold the Surma Valley Students' Conference which was proposed to be held here under the presidency of Mr. Satyendra Nath Mazumdar, lately editor of the "Ananda Bazar Patrika", Calcutta.

It is recalled that the Government of Assam has banned the holding of public meetings and taking out processions in the District of Sylhet without previous permission of the District Magistrate.—A.P.

Jinnah To Visit Aligarh

NEW DELHI, Feb. 25.

Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, will leave for Aligarh on March 9 and address the Aligarh University Union the same evening.

He will address a public meeting next day and return to Delhi on March 1[illegible].—A. P.

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On The Air

THURSDAY, FEB. 27.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

8 p.m. Farhat Jahan Bibbo. 5-20 Bundu Khan: Sarangi. 5-30 Zohra Bai. 5-50 Mohammad Shafi. 6-15 Abdul Haq. 6-30 The Mediterranean, 5: Spain and Its Problem: Talk in Hindustani. 6-45 For villagers only 7-45 The Voice of Under Twenty five, 4: Talk. 8 Nasir Khan. 8-20 It has happened or Gat Tora on Tabla. 8-25 Bundu Khan: Sarangi. 8-40 Farhat Jahan Bibbo. 9 45 Zohra Bai. 9-55 Mohammad Shafi. 10 Manohar: Bhajan. 10-5 Bundu Khan: Sarangi. 10-15 Nasir Khan. 10-25 Farhat Jahan Bibbo.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. Abdul Karim Khan. 8-5 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Bal Gangu Bai. 8-40 News in Hindustani. 8-50 News in English. 9 The Bombay Radio Orchestra. 9-10 Roshan Ali. 9-25 Film music. 9-35 Dattoba Tawde. 9-55 Gat in Gujri by the String Quartet. 12-30 p.m. Light Selection. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Orchestra. 1-10 Trio of Bhajans. 1-20 Mutual Underl standing. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 Lunch Hour Music. 4-15 School Broadcast. 5 Tomorrow. 5-5 Roshan Ali. 5-25 News in Marathi. 5-30 News in Gujarati. 5-35 Pad in Pahadi. 5-45 M. Tufail. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Dattoba Tawde. 6-30 Children's Hour (Hindustani). 7 Book Review: Talk in Gujarati 7-15 Keshav Bhorda: Flute. 7-25 Talk of the Town. 7-30 Roshan Ali. 7-45 Vyas: Gujarati geet. 7-55 News in Marathi. 8-10 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Topic of the day. 8-30 Books and their authors. 8-45 Sound-news (Hindustani). 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C news relay. 10 Esther Trindade. 10-15 Gr: Symphony Orchestra. 10-20 Korshed Joshi: Soprano 10-30 Gretel Sommer: Violin.

Bombay II—Programme

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

8 to 8-5 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-5 Love Lyrics. 8-15 Kerkar: Sarangi. 8-25 to 8-40 As in Bombay 1. 8-40 Bai Gangu Bai. 9 to 10 As in Bombay 1.

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

12-30 to 12-57 p.m As in Bombay 1. 12-57 Padma Patankar. 1 to 1-30 As in Bombay 1. 1-30 Musical interlude. 1-35 to 2-25 As in Bombay 1.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

4-15 to 5-25 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 5-25 Keshav Dhorda: Flute recital. 5-35 to 6 As in Bombay 1. 6 Master Mohan. 6-10 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interval.

89 15 metres (3,365 kc/s)

7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 to 7-55 As in Bombay 1. 7-55 Bai Gangu Bai. 8-25 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 D. Amel's Naghma. 9-10 Ghazal. 9-20 Marathi Pad: Dattoba Tawde. 9-30 Nautch Dhun played on Flute. 9-40 Bhajan. 9-50 Tarana. 10 Atmahatye: Marathi sketch. 10-15 Bai Gangu Bai.

Calcutta I—Programme

(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time).

370 4 metres (810 kc/s)

5 p.m. Kiran Sen: Bengal songs. 5-15 Tincowrie Banerjee. 5-35 Baidyanath Pal. 5-50 Sarat Chandra Banerjee. 6-5 Paresh Mazumder: Khole recital. 6-20 For the rural and industrial areas. 7 Palipada Pathak. 7-20 Mohini Mohon Misra. 7-40 Leelabati Das: Esraj solo. 7-45 Poland in Ruins: Talk in Bengali. 8 Biren Bhattacharya. 8-20 Ratnamala Sen. 9 A Ketskemety: Saxophone 10 Brothers in Arms.

Hyderabad Programme

411 metres (730 kc/s)

7-30 to 7-45 p.m. For children (1) History, by Mr. S. H. Zaidi. (2) Character, by Mr. S. A. Husain. 7-45 Recent Publications—Monthly review, by Dr. S. M Q. Zore.

B. B. C. Programme

(W.I. 3-50 a.m. to 10-5 31.55m. and 49.10 m.; 6 p.m. to 8-15 25.53m. and 7-30 to 10, 31 55m. and 49.10m.)

15-25 Programme. 15-30 News. 15-45 Meet Uncle Sam: Ed. Murrow Interviews Experts on U. S. A. 17-00 John Bel, (Organ). 17-30 (To-day We Present) B B C Orch. 17-45 V. Phillips Orchestra. 18-30 News. 18-45 Questions of Hour. 19-15 M. Hartley, Quintet. 19-25 Programme 19-30 Talk (19-30 to 20-00 Hind. programme on GSP and GRU—News and programme). 19-45 Prog. 20-00 Feature (20-00 to 20-30 Tind. Prog. on GSP and GRU —Prog. for English-speaking Listeners). 20-30 Talk: In My Opinion. 20-45 (Music of Britain). 21-00 Calling Br. Forces in India: Music and Messages. 21-30 News. 21-45 Questions of Hour.

To-day (Thursday) at 10 p.m., A. A. Kanekar's "Atmahatya" (suicide) a Marathi sketch, will be broadcast from Bombay. The story tells of a disappointed lover on the verge of committing suicide. How the ingenuity of a friend retrieves him from the border line of the other world is the main stay of this fragi-comedy.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

G. I. P. Railway.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Madras Mail	6 00	22 00
Peshawar Express	6-15	22-45
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur)	8-55	18-10
Calcutta Mail (via Chheoki)	9-30	20-15
Madras Express	10 15	14 30
Poona Mail	10 30	17 30
Punjab Mail	12 30	17 40
Nagpur Express	15-00	21-00
Poona Express	19 30	08 05
Allahabad Express	20 25	07 00
Poona Past Passenger	21 45	12 10

B. B. & C. I. Railway.

(Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.)

	Arr. H.M	Dep H.M
Ahmedabad Passenger	5 35	13 05
Delhi Express	6 00	22 15
Gujarat Mail	6 45	22 05
Kathiawar Mail	7 25	21 30
Frontier Mail	8 15 (Mon)	21 35 (Sat)
The Flying Rance, Bulsar	*9 15	15 55
The Flying Ranee Surat	*9 48	to 10
The Flying Ranee. Surat (Except Monday)	10 58	00 05
The Flying Ranee. Surat (Except Saturday)	00 00	18 05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14 15	22 30
Kathiawar Express	15 05	8 45
Baroda Passenger	20 48	9 00

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, these trains will run on Tuesday.

Bankhead's Move For Hundred Per Cent Parity Loans

TRADE AND WALL-STREET BUYING IN N. Y. COTTON MARKET

Negotiations With Controller Regarding Liverpool Cotton Market Situation

BOMBAY, Feb. 26.

Once again unfounded reports are having their influence over American cotton markets.

There was a talk of submission by Mr. Bankhead of a Bill to Congress providing hundred per cent parity loans and reducing the next American cotton crop to one crore bales, through increased payments and payments in kind.

The Bill proposes 15 per cent acreage reduction and 15 per cent loan.

This report was followed by active buying in the New York cotton market but there appeared increased selling on denials from Washington that the Secretary for Agriculture had committed to support the above mentioned Bill. The offerings were well absorbed by growing speculative buying and the Session closed at about the best of the day.

The New York cotton market opened steady on Tuesday. There was trade and Wall Street buying on the stoppage of 21 notices. Later on there was commission house liquidation of new crop but finally local covering appeared on the firmness of the stock market.

The advance in cotton prices was met by selling due to denials from Washington that the Secretary for Agriculture has been committed to support the Bankhead Bill requiring a hundred per cent parity loan.

BANKHEAD BILL

"There is talk of submission by Mr. Bankhead of a bill to Congress providing hundred per cent parity loans and reducing the next cotton crop to ten million bales through increased payments and payments in kind; the bill proposes fifteen per cent acreage reduction and fifteen per cent loan."

CLOTH SALES

The New York Cotton Exchange Service cables that sales of finished and unfinished goods are well below the present output. Mills unconcerned since they have large backlogs and further Government buying is expected. Business and commodities are slightly up.

Latest reports that the weather over the U. S. A. Cotton Belt is unfavourable and rain is delaying work in South-West. Loan cotton entries through February 19 totalled 30,32,000 bales.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

The New York cotton futures market opened at a rise of 5 points with March quoted 10.39. There was scattered selling and March declined to 10.38 which was the lowest level. At the decline there was increased buying and March rose to 10.43 which was the highest level. Distant months were quiet on commission house liquidation and the session closed at a net rise of 8 to 2 points. Spot cotton prices were raised 7 points at 10.97c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS CLOSED

The New Orleans cotton market was closed on Tuesday.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

It is said that negotiations with the Controller are continuing with the object of reaching agreement on the Association's cooperation in Government's new policy.

The Liverpool cotton market opened at a rise of 4 points with March 8.28. The market was steady with trade calling on higher New York advices. The market closed at a net rise of 4 points. Middling American Spot cotton prices improved one point at 8.55d. per lb.

Egyptian cotton ring was quietly steady and both Uppers and Giza's futures closed at a rise of one point

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York March highest (3 p.m.) ..... 10.43+09
New York March lowest (10-4 a.m.) ..... 10.38+04
Liverpool March highest ..... 8.29+05
Liverpool March lowest ..... 8.27+03

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co Ltd have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

Liverpool: Negotiations with controller continuing with object of reaching some agreement on association's co-operation in Government's new policy.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Feb 25

March	10.42+08
May	10.39+05
July	10.33+05
October	9.94+03
December	9.91+02
January	9.89+02
Middling Spot	10.97+07

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, Feb 25

The New Orleans cotton market closed.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Feb 25

	11 a.m. ranges.	Noon call.
March	10.39	10.39
May	10.38	10.37

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, Feb 25

Day's receipts at all U S Ports	9,000 bales
Day's exports to Great Britain	nil
Day's exports to the Continent	nil
Day's exports to China and Japan	nil

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, Feb 25

March	8.28+04
May	8.29+04
July	8.30+04
October	8.24+04
December	8.21+04
Middling Spot	8.55+01

11 A.M. QUOTATIONS

March	8.28

SHIPPING NEWS.

SAILED

Bombay: Feb. 26.

B I S N Coy's American s s Extavia of 3096 reg tons Capt. R Eklund sailed for Calcutta with general cargo.

LOADING

The following vessels are booked for loading:—

American s s Mobile City.
American s s Pres Monroe.

IMPORTS

Bombay: Feb. 26.

158 cases cigarettes, 39 bls toilet paper, 210 c/s cnd fish, 67 c/s printing paper, 73 c/s toffee, 45 c/s sugar, 77 c/s printed books, maps, charts, etc., 30 kegs fire clay, 56 bxs antifriction metals, 40 bags stearic acid, 455 c/s whisky, 100 c/s tonic water, 1600 bags soda ash, 1000 reels coir washers, 108 c/s milk powder, 292 c/s washing blue, 155 ctns Milton, 130 dms plaster, 88 c/s Ovaltine and rusks, 293 c/s metal polish, 361 c/s chocolate, 283 c/s biscuits, 107 c/s electrodes, 102 pkgs toilet requisites and soaps, 70 brls citric acid, 250 c/s Dettol liquid antiseptic, 40 ctns cordials, 105 dms boot tappings, 33 c/s paper, 3245 bls cotton, 73 c/s gas meters, 1310 pkgs disinft. fluid, 64 coils copper wire, 320 bags whitings, 106 c/s cinema films, X-Ray film, Photo appliances, etc., 145 pkgs medicines, drugs and chemicals, 1811 pkgs paints, colours, dry distemper etc., 184 c/s oil varnish, 106 c/s blue, 385 pkgs provision, confy, 54 bdls copper rods, 50 bdls iron boot protectors, 5073 pkgs water tubes, 398 pkgs water fittings, 57 loose joists, 50 loose angles 40 kegs citric acid, 68 c/s cyder, 201 bls wool tops, 49 cyl anhydrous ammonia, 200 carboys hydrogen peroxide, 60 bags Emery powder, 300 bags sulphate of alumina, 352 bdls tubes, 61 loose tubes, 308 loose iron tubes, 49 bdls iron tubes, 160 c/s ammonium bicarbonate, 300 c/s bottled Lager, 70 c/s rivets, 72 dms moulding powder, 60 bags boric acid, 242 c/s wines, 183 c/s gin, 75 trs waterproof paper, 134 bdls emulsion, 101 kegs lead acetate, 497 pkgs Horlicks, 44 c/s brass screw wire, 35 pkgs valves, 50 c/s chewing gum, 925 c/s beer.

EXPORTS

Bombay: Feb. 26.

274 bags flea seed husk, D Abraham and Sons; 200 bls raw cotton Suleman and Co. Ltd; 100 bls raw cotton The Universal Cotton Trading Co; 200 bls raw cotton Vasanjee Morarjee, 100 bls raw cotton Shamji Karamsi and Co; 40 bls cotton pcegoods Tulsidas Khimji.

LONDON SEEDS

London, Feb 25

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe	20/6
Wheat Barletta Russo	not quoted
Wheat South Australian	26/6

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Feb 25

All rates are unchanged.

LONDON RUBBER

London, Feb 25

Smoked sheets standard ribbed per lb	13 1/4

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, Feb. 26.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 Loan 96-12
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 94-13
3 per cent 1941 Bonds 100-15
3 per cent 1951/54 Bonds 98-14
3 per cent 1963/65 Loan 94-4
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 102-2
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan 108
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 104 8
3 per cent War Bonds 100 14
4 1/2 per cent 1955/65 Loan 113-4

TAX FREE LOANS.

5 per cent 1945/55 Loan 112
4 per cent 1953/65 Mysore 115-8
5 per cent 1955 Mysore 125

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1947 108-0
4 per cent M Deb 1974 107-12
5 per cent M Deb 1959 116
6 per cent M Deb 1954 128
6 per cent K P T 1956 128

Note:—3-1/2 p.c. G. P Notes opened better to-day at 94 8 against yesterday's close of 94-4, and firmed upto 94-15, but the closing is slightly lower at 94-13.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, Feb 26

LONDON:—
B C RATES:—
T T D D 1/5 15/16 to 25th August
Bank's selling T T D D 1/5 31/32 to 25th Aug
Bank's buying T T 1/6 1/32 to 25th Aug.
Bank's buying D D 1/6 3/32 One month
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 7/32 One month
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 1/4 two months
NEW YORK:
Bank's selling T T 332 3/4
Bank's buying T T 329 3/4
Bank's buying D D 328
JAPAN:
Bank's selling T T 81 1/4 nominal.
Bank's buying T T 77 nominal
Bank's buying 60 days 76 1/4 nominal
JAVA:—
Bank's selling D D 55 3/4
HONGKONG:
Bank's selling D D 85 1/4
SHANGHAI:
Bank's selling D D 21 3/4
SINGAPORE:
Bank's selling D D 157 3/4
CROSS RATES:—
Hongkong London 1/3 1/32 26th inst.
Shanghai London 0/3 5/8 26th inst.
New York London 4.03 1/2 25th inst.
London Java 7.58/62 25th inst.
London New York 4.02 1/2—3 1/2 25th inst.
London Switzerland 17.30/40 25th inst.
London Stockholm 16.85/95 25th inst
London Japan 1/2 1/2 25th inst.
London Canada 4.43/47 25th inst.
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Quiet near. Steady forward.
Gold £8-8-0 25th inst
Silver London Ready 23 7/16 25th inst.
Silver London Forward 23 3/8 25th inst.
Silver New York Ready 34 3/4 24th inst.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent 25th inst.
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/4 per cent 25th inst.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money:—Call unendable.
3 months 1/2 per cent.
6 months 3/4 per cent
Tone: Very easy

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

Statement of the affairs of the Reserve Bank of India, Banking Department as on the 21st Feb. 1941:—

LIABILITIES Rs.

Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	5,00,00,000
Deposits:—	
(a) Government	
(1) Central Govt. of India	19,82,62,000
(2) Govt. of Burma	2,55,43,000
(3) Other Govt. accounts	6,38,91,000
(b) Banks	46,25,10,000
(c) Others	2,02,92,000
Bills Payable	59,15,000
Other Liabilities	3,98,11,000
RUPEES	91,62,24,000

ASSETS Rs.

Notes:—	
(a) Legal Tender in India	16,08,84,000
(b) Legal Tender in Burma only	23,51,000
Rupee Coin	8,08,000
Subsidiary Coin	3,32,000
Bills Purchased and Discounted:—	
(a) Internal	
(b) External	
(c) Govt. Treasury Bills	13,23,000
Balances held abroad*	66,27,34,000
Loans and Advances to Govts.	35,00,000
Other Loans and Advances	10,00,000
Investments	7,03,53,000
Other Assets	1,28,39,000
RUPEES	91,62,24,000

*Includes Cash and Short term Securities.

An account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week ended the 21st day of February 1941:—

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES Rs. Rs.

Notes held in the Banking Department		16,32,35,000
Notes in circulation:—		
(a) Legal Tender in India	232,63,74,000	
(b) Legal Tender in Burma only	17,13,50,000	
Total Notes issued		266,09,59,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES		266,09,59,000

ASSETS Rs. Rs.

A. Gold Coin and Bullion:—		
(a) Held in India	44,41,43,000	
(b) Held outside India		
Sterling Securities	140.50,11,000	
TOTAL OF A.		184,91,54,000
B. Rupee Coin		31,56,89,000
Govt. of India Rupee Securities		49,61,16,000
Internal Bills of Exchange and other commercial paper		
TOTAL ASSETS		266,09,59,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 69.492 per cent.

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay, Feb 26

Fine White Java sugar per cwt:—
Shipment December Rs. 9-4-0 F B H
Shipment March Rs. 9-5-0 F B H
Indian sugars ready:—
Ready (ordinary) Rs. 14-2-0 to 14-8-0
Ready (large grain) Rs. 14-9-0 to 15-9-0
Tone:—Steady.

COTTON PARITY

Broach A/M below Liverpool May 404 penny points at 1/6
Broach J/A below Liverpool July 397 penny points at 1/6
Broach A/M below New York May 324 cent points at 331
Broach J/A below New York July 307 cent points at 331

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool, Feb 25

UPPERS:—

Spot	11.14—1
March	10.43+1
May	10.44+1
July	10.45+1
November	10.40+1
GIZA NO. 2—	
Spot	12.09—0
March	11.09+1
May	11.08+1
July	11.04+1
November	11.06+01

Plea For Experts' Inquiry Into Coal-Mining

Calcutta, Feb 25

A strong plea for the appointment of a Committee of Enquiry consisting of Experts in coal mining and representatives of the coal trade to make a thorough investigation into the causes of the continued slump in coal trade and to devise ways and means for solving the various difficult problems, is made by the Committee of the Indian Mining Federation, in a communication addressed to the Government of India in the Department of Commerce and Labour.—United Press.

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, Feb 26

Castoreseds May—			
Opening	Rs.	30	8 0
Highest		30	15 0
Lowest		30	6 0
Closing		30	9 0
Groundnuts February—			
Opening		26	2 0
Highest		26	2 0
Lowest		26	2 0
Closing		26	2 0
Cottonseeds May—			
Opening		19	0 0
Highest		19	0 0
Lowest		18	14 6
Closing		18	15 0
Groundnuts May—			
Opening		26	5 0
Highest		26	5 0
Lowest		26	3 0
Closing		26	4 6

LINSEED & WHEAT

Bombay, Feb 26

Linseed May	Rs.	4 12 3
Wheat May		3 10 9

PEPPER & GINGER

Bombay, Feb 26

The Pepper and Ginger Merchants' Association, Ltd.:—

Pepper ready Alleppey per candy	Rs.	77	8 0
Pepper Chaitra Sud 15 per candy		78	8 0
Pepper Jeth Sud 15 per candy		81	0 0
Ginger bleached per cwt		15	0 0
Ginger Chaitra Sud per cwt		12	8 0

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Feb 25

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	£70 1/2
Indian stocks 3 per cent 1948	£86 1/4
Indian stocks 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	£99
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£77 1/2
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£102 7/8
War loan 3 1/2 per cent	£103 1/2
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90	£113 1/2
Victory Bonds 4 per cent	£110 7/8
Chartered Bank of I A and China	£7 7/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Register)	£73
National Bank of India	£32 1/4

Routine Business In Share Bazar

SCATTERED EARLY SELLING MEETS GOOD SUPPORT

Cotton Mill And Steel Shares Steady

Bombay, Feb 26

The local share bazar opened barely steady and under scattered selling prices declined four points but lower levels influenced increased buying and early decline was soon recovered and the market was very steady There was steady buying in Cotton Mill shares.

Reports appearing in morning papers about some increase in the Excess Profit Tax had no effect and the market is anxiously awaiting Budget proposals.

The Wall Street market did not live up to its early expectation and gains everywhere shaded with the anticipated excess profit tax amendment, the principal prop.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE.

Bombay, Feb 26

Bombay Dyeing (1091/4) 1090 1088 1100 1102 1097
Century (378/8) 377 376 381 380 381
Central India (306/8) 306 305/8
Kohinoor (418) 418 417 419 418
New Great (428) 428 429 431
Simplex (107/8) 107 108
Swadeshi (281/8) 281 282 281 280/8
Associated Cement (142/12) 142/8
Andhra (1845) 1845
Tram Ord (136) 135
Tata Hydro (187) 187
Tata Power (1632/8) 1632 1627 1625
T Steel Defd (1961/4) 1962 1952 1965 1961 1962
T Steel Ord (383) 383 382 384 383/8
Tata Steel 2nd Pref (148/4) 148/4
Bellapur (210) 210
B Steam (320) 320
B Burma (541/4) 541 540 541 538

fast losing its original incentive freshness. However rosy business indications and no incidence of a new war tension continued to keep majority of issues fractionally on the upside. U. S. Steel shares closed 1 1/2 up at 59 1/2 and Anaconda Copper Mining shares closed unchanged at 23 5/8 dollars.

Tata Steel Defds opened at Rs. 1962 and declined to Rs. 1952 under scattered selling. At the decline there was increased buying and prices improved to Rs. 1965. Ordinary shares opened at Rs 383 and after declining to Rs. 382 advanced to Rs. 384 Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1090 and steadily hardened to Rs. 1102/8.

The market is awaiting Budget proposals but the underlying conditions are healthy and there is no special cause for any runaway market unless the Budget prove to be surprise. The tone of the market at the close was steady and there was routine business.

TEXTILE SHARES

Bombay, Feb. 26.

100	Ahm. Advance	272	8
250	BOMBAY DYEING	1097	8
100	CENTURY	381	0
100	CENTRAL INDIA	305	8
100	COLABA	172	8
100	Coorla	105	0
250	David	30	0
250	Dawn	342	8
1	E. D. Sassoon Def.	0 8	9
100	FINLAY	183	0
100	GOKAK	210	8
1000	Hindustan	1925	0
100	Indore	6	0
100	Khatau	149	6
100	KOHINOOR	418	0
250	LAXMI	535	0
100	MORARJI	229	8
250	Model	78	8
50	MYSORE X.D.	110	0
200	NEW GREAT	431	0
100	Osmanshahi	55	0
100	Phoenix	266	0
25	Sassoon Silk	85	8
1000	Sholapur	2/90	0
50	SIMPLEX	108	0
100	SWADESHI	280	8
100	SWAN	176	8
500	Vishnu	1305	0
1000	Western	1080	0

BANKS

50-100	BARODA	109	0
25-50	CENTRAL	43	12
500	IMPERIAL	1550	0
125-500	Imp. Contrys.	385	10
50-100	India XD	143	4
100	RESERVE BANK	105	8
5	UNION	6	10

CEMENTS

100	ASSOCIATED	141	8

INSURANCE

100	Empire	633	12
15-100	JUPITER	13	8
20	Mercantile	65	0
15-75	NEW INDIA	41	2
200	Oriental	395	0
10-50	Vulcan	8 3	6

ELECTRIC

100	AHMD. OLD X.D.	176	14
1000	ANDHRA VALLEY	1845	0
10	AJMER	12	0
50	BUMBAY TRAM	13	0
100	Bombay Suburban	180	0
10	Broach	14	0
100	Karachi	213	12
100	Poona	215	0
100	Surat	180	0
100	TATA HYDRO	187	0
1000	TATA POWER	1625	0

RAILWAYS

500	Ahmedabad Prantij	9.5	0
100	C. Province	105	0
100	Dhond Baramati	104	4
100	Gujarat X.D.	103	4
100	Mandra Bhon	103	8
100	Pachora Jamner	63	8
100	Sara Sirajgunj	105	0
500	Tapti Valley	662	8

MININGS

9	Burma Corporation	5	2
8sh.	Indian Copper	2	0 6
10	Indian Iron and Steel	30	14
10	SHIVRAJPUR	3s	4
30	TATA STEEL DEF	1962	8
75	TATA STEEL ORD	383	8
10	Steel Corporation	19	0

MISCELLANEOUS

100	ALCOCK	565	0
10	Air Service	3	4
50	BELAPUR SUGAR	210	0
200	Bombay Safe Dep N	590	0
250	BOMBAY STEAM	320	0
125	B. BURMA	538	12
50	B. Burma Cont.	184	6
8sh.	Br. B. Petrol	3	5
50	BOMBAY TELEPHONE	88	0
100	IND. BLEACHING	128	0
50	Ind. Invest Trust	47	8
100	Ind. Radio Def	513	12
100	Indian Radio Ord.	508	12
100	Port Canning	88	0
30	PREMIER Con.	96	4
15	SCINDIA	20	13
25	Tata Oil	42	0
100	Wimco	194	8

PREFERENCE

7	p.c. Andhra Valley	1535	0
6	p.c. Bombay Steam	310	0
7	p.c. Bom. Tram (T.F.) X.D.	75	8
5	p.c. Central India (T.F.)	632	8
6	1/4 p.c. Prem Const. 1st	118	8
6	1/4 p.c. Prem Const 2nd	110	8
7	p.c. Tata Hydro	153	2
7	1/2 p.c. Tata Power	1580	0
6	p.c. Tata Steel 1st	212	8
7	1/2 p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	148	4
7	p.c. Vishnu	741	4

DEBENTURES

5	3/4 p.c. Andhra Valley	101	4
6	p.c Andhra Valley	101	4
4	p.c. Bom. Telephone	51	8
5	p.c. Sholapur	78	4
5	p.c. Tata Hydro	100	4

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Feb 26

Following a rise of 8 points in New York cotton futures, the local market was expected to open at Rs. 185/8 for Broach A/M delivery but the market opened quiet at Rs. 184/12 and steadily improved to Rs. 185/8. It appears that sellers are cautious as the peak of the crop movement will be reached soon and with the present Mill activity, there will be scarcity of good staple cotton.

Later on there appeared scattered selling and prices declined to Rs. 185. Liverpool market opened at a rise of 2 points and there being little business the market was quietly steady. The market closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

F G M G BROACH—			
April/May	Rs.	185	8 0
July/August		188	4 0
FINE M G OOMRA—			
March		146	4 0
May		148	8 0
July		151	0 0
F G M G BENGAL—			
March		119	8 0
May		120	12 0

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, Feb 26

	Extra Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G Bengal U P		124	122	120	118
M G Punjab		124	122	120	118
M G Rajputana		131	129	127	125
M G Oomra No. 3	154	151	148	145	
M G C P No. 1	176	173	170	167	
M G C P No. 2	161	158	155	152	

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, Feb 26

Approx. quotations	Ready	Delivery contract
Bengal Fine	119-22	
Berar	141-48	
C. P. 1	169-73	
C. P. 2	151-56	
Khandesh	121-28	
Muglai	132-34	March
Broach		+8
Punjab S.G. 289F.	310-11	
Punjab R.G. 289F	285 90	
Punjab R.G. 4F	225-30	

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay, Feb 26

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY OF INDIAN COTTON

In full-pressed bales	3 days.	Since 1st Sept. This year	Last year
Khandesh	1,036	84,147	48,294
Central India	1,892	91,313	67,073
Barsi and Nagar	502	78,515	102,301
Hyderabad/Gaorani	249	26,582	40,237
Berar	5,010	259,588	242,506
Central Provinces	1,108	53,384	57,144
Total Oomras	9,797	593,529	557,555
Dholeras	90	41,777	39,645
N W Provinces	.....	1,055	21,801
Rajputana	49	4,273	24,246
Sind-Punjab	2 529	342,476	285,284
Broach	306	20,866	132,210
Coompta & Dharwar	.....	30,282	14,913
Westerns-Northerns	320	31,221	16,554
Cocoanada	.....	239	50
Tinnevelly & Cambodia	.....	522	1,309
Total	13.091	1,066,239	1,093,667
Arrived by road to 20th February 1941	.....	157,250	194,358

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, Feb 26

Yesterday London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 1/2 at New York. London Spot silver was unchanged at 23 7/16d. and forward was also unchanged at 23 3/8d. The market was idle after fixing of prices and business was quiet. New York Spot silver was unchanged at 34 3/4 cents and Shanghai T T on London was quoted 3 3/8. London Bombay Spot silver parity was Rs. 62/8 and forward parity was Rs. 62/5/9. The local market was quietly steady with a moderate business in silver but gold was strong on extensive buying and prices advanced to Rs. 43/15. The recent buying is mostly speculative and wild fluctuations are not unlikely.

Gold prices advanced to Rs. 44/2, but at this level there appeared profit-taking and prices declined to Rs. 43/12. The market again steadied and quotations were as under:—

GOLD

Ready	Rs.	43 13 0
Fagan		43 14 0
Sovereigns		39 8 0

SILVER

Ready		62 13 0
Fagan		62 10 0

LONDON GOLD

London, Feb 25

Gold Bars Fine per oz	£8-8-0

LONDON SILVER

London, Feb 25

Spot	23 7/16
Forward	23 3/8

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS.

Bombay, Feb 26

NEW YORK COTTON TWO POINTS DOWN

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

MARCH 1941.
New York: Feb. 26.

Previous closing	10.42
To-day's opening	10.43
Difference	+1
To-day's closing	10.40
Difference	—2

BROACH EXPECTATION

Broach April/May	Rs. 185/0
Broach July/August	Rs. 187/8

LIVERPOOL COTTON

MARCH 1941.
Liverpool: Feb. 25.

Previous closing	8.28
To-day's opening	8.30
Difference	+2
To-day's closing	8.29
Difference	+1

NEW YORK COTTON

New York: Feb. 26.

New York cotton was moderately active on stray support, but general demand continued dormant due to the lack of fresh incentives, while the hesitancy of Securities also restrained enterprise.

Trading in March commenced at 10.43, i.e., one point higher than the last close. Prices steadied on scattered trade and mill support, which absorbed March liquidation, otherwise no important enquiry was in evidence.

The following are to-day's opening ranges in New York cotton:—

March (10.39/39) 10.43/43
May (10.37/37) 10.41/41
July (10.29/29) 10.33/33

The following are opening rates on Liverpool cotton market:—

American March (8.28) 8.29
American May (8.29) 8.30
Egyptian Giza March (11.09) 11.08
Egyptian Giza May (11.06) 11.07

LONDON COMMODITIES

London: Feb. 26.

Castorseeds January February unquoted
Linseed Bombay Calcutta February March (£18 9/16 quoted) £18 9/16
Linseed La Plata March (£11 5/16 quoted) £11 5/16 quoted
Groundnuts Coromandal February March (£17 1/4 quoted) £17 1/4

JUTES

Dundee (£43) £43
Lightning (£40) £40

RUBBER

Spot (13 1/8d paid and buyers) 13 1/8d

EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York: Feb. 26.

Previous closing	4.03 1/2
To-day's opening	4.03 1/2

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK
London: Feb. 26.

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS
London: Feb. 26.

T. T. London on Paris not quoted

LONDON SILVER CABLE

London: Feb. 26.

The following cable was received from London:—

Market quiet and steady.

LONDON SILVER
London: Feb. 26.

Spot (23 7/16d) 23 7/16d nil
Forward (23 3/8d) 23 5/16d —1/16

LONDON GOLD
London: Feb. 26.

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON EXCHANGES

London: Feb. 26.

London Exchange opened with the sterling dollar at 4.02.50 to 4.03.50 which is officially fixed rate.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-6) 1-6
Paris on Bombay not quoted
New York on Milan not quoted
New York on Bombay (30.35) 30.35
London on Shanghai (0-3 9/32 to 0-3 5/8) 0-3 9/32 to 0-3 5/8
London on Kobe (1-2 to 1-2 1/2) 1-2 to 1-2 1/2

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent.
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent
6 months (1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent

BULLION AND SEEDS

Bombay: Feb. 26.

There was no trading during the night session.

paid and buyers.
Forward January/March (13 1/4d paid and sellers) 13 1/4d paid and sellers.

LONDON METALS

Tin (£276 buyers; 276 1/2 sellers. Easier) £270 buyers; £270 1/2 sellers. Weak.
Electrolytic Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

3 1/2 P.C. STERLING LOAN

London: Feb. 26.

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £99

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London: Feb. 26.

London Stock Exchange was very steady.

AUSTRALIAN LOANS
London: Feb. 26.

5 per cent 1958/68 (£103 3/4) £103 3/4

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£77 1/2) £77 3/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£102 7/8) £102 7/8
2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£99 1/8) £99 1/8
4 per cent Funding Loan (£113 1/2) £113 1/2
3 1/2 per cent War Loans (£103 1/2) £103 1/2
New War Loan (£101 1/4) £101 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds (£110 7/8) £110 7/8

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (10-9) 10-10 1/2
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (34-0) 33-10 1/2
Hydro Electric No dealings.
Electric Music Industry (7-6) 7-7 1/2
Princhin Johnson (18-6) 18-6
Imperial Chemicals (29-10 1/2) 29-10 1/2
Woolsworth New Ordinary (51-4 1/2) 52-0
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1939 (£46) £46
Dundee Rubber (32-7 1/2) 32-7 1/2
Unilever Ordinary (23-0) 23-0
Ford Motors (17-7 1/2) 17-6
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£54) £54 1/2
British American Tobacco Ordinary (88/9) 88-9
Carreas 'A' (£3 7/8) £3 7/8
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (93-9) 93-9
P and O Def (20-4 1/2) 20-4 1/2
Distillers (62-3) 62-9
Bredfords Dye (3-6) 3-6
British Celanese (3-0) 3-0
J and P Coates Ordinary (28-10 1/2) 28-10½
Courtaulds Ordinary (29-3) 29-1 1/2
Fine Cotton Spinners (3-0) 3-0
Vickers Limited Ordinary (14-9) 14-10 1/2
Inter Nickel Ordinary (dol 35) dol 35 3/4
Indian Iron (43-9) 43-9

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (18-3) 18-3
Donaro Tea (30-0) 30-0
Empire of India (21-10 1/2) 21-10 1/2

JUTE

Barnagore (£8) £8

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (14-10 1/2) 14-10 1/2
Gula Kelampong (15-9) 15-9
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (24-10 1/2) 24-10½

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (20-7 1/2) 20-7 1/2
Burma Corporation (7-0) 7-0
Rio Tintos (£7 1/4) £7 1/4
East Rand Properties (41-3) 41-3
Rand Mines (£6 3/8) £6 3/8

MINE SHARES

Crown (£12) £12
Associated Portland Cement (61-3) 61-3
Trinidad Leasehold (60-0) 60-0
Sub Nigel (£7 1/4) £7 1/4
Spring Mines Split shares (20-7 1/2) 20-7½
Union Corporation (£6 7/8) £6 7/8

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (25-7 1/2) 25-7 1/2
Anglo India (32-6) 33-1 1/2
Burma Oil (50-0) 50-0
Mexican Eagle (7-7 1/2) 7-9
Shell Transport (40-7 1/2) 41-10 1/2
Royal Dutch (£18) £18

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary (£32 3/4) £33 1/4
London Midland Ordinary (£11 7/8) £12
London North Eastern Def. (£1 5/8) £1 5/8
London Southern Def. (£9 7/8) £9 7/8
London Transport 5 per cent (£119) £119
London Transport 'C' (£33) £33

BOMBAY COTTON CROP

The Department of Agriculture, Bombay has issued the following fourth memorandum on the cotton crop of the Bombay Province (including Indian States) for the season 1940-41:—

(1) On an average of the five years ending 1938-39 the area under cotton in the territory to which this forecast relates has represented some 25.1 per cent of the total area under the crop in the whole of India. This territory (included in the present report) is, however, exclusive of Baroda State, which, on an average, occupies about 3.5 per cent of the total area under the crop in the whole of India.

(2) The figures given in the present report relate to the varieties of cotton grown in the Bombay Province. For estimates of the remaining crop, refer to Baroda, Hyderabad, Mysore, Madras and Sind Forecasts. Estimate for the whole crop is available also in the All-India Cotton Forecast published in the Indian Trade Journal, and also issued separately in a leaflet form.

(3) The figures for 1940-41 shown in this Forecast relate to the Cotton Crop sown between June and July 1940 in the case of the early varieties, which are grown in the Deccan, and to the cotton crop sown in July-September 1940 in the case of the late varieties which are grown chiefly in Gujarat and the Karnatak.

(Estimates up to 1st February 1941)

AREA

The latest reports show the total area under the early as well as the late varieties of cotton as noted below:—

	Bombay Province. Acres.
British Districts	3,584,000
Indian States	1,893,000
Total	5,477,600

12.1 per cent above the corresponding area of the last year but 7.0 per cent below the decennial average area at the same date. The revised area also shows an increase in almost the whole of the Province except in the parts of the Karnatak where decreased due to deficient rains at sowing time.

SEASON

In Gujarat the crop in the south is making fairly satisfactory progress but that in parts of the north has suffered from want of sufficient rains of the season and as a result its outturn is estimated to fall much below the normal. In the southern areas, boll formation and flowering still continues. The cloudy weather conditions in the month of January caused shedding of young buds and unripened small bolls in some parts and hence the season is expected to be somewhat late in these areas. In the Deccan where early varieties of cotton are mostly cultivated the picking of the crop is completed almost everywhere in the Division. As already reported previously, the crop in the north progressed fairly satisfactorily but that in the south suffered rather severely owing to deficiency and uneven distribution of rain during the season. In the south-eastern portion of the division the crop under dry conditions suffered to a greater extent. The late crop in the Satara District is reported to have been spoiled by the untimely showers received late in the season. In the Karnatak where late (rabi) cotton is chiefly grown the condition of the crop is reported to be fair. The crop in parts of Bijapur District is suffering from deficiency of moisture in the soil and there has been shedding of flowers and buds in some areas. A slight attack of Rhyzoctonia is reported from a few places in Dharwar District.

OUTTURN

As a result of the seasonal conditions described above, the yield of the crop in Gujarat may range between 57 and 79 per cent of the normal except the unirrigated crop in parts of the north which may return only about 50 per cent of the normal. In the Deccan the crop in the north is estimated to yield between 67 and 92 per cent of the normal but that in the south may return between 58 to 80 per cent of the normal except in the Poona District where the outturn of the unirrigated crop is expected to be only 25 per cent of the normal. The yield of the crop in Karnatak is estimated to fall between 51 and 67 per cent of the normal. The outturn of the crop in the Indian States should generally correspond to the yields likely to be secured in the neighbouring British tracts.

The total estimated outturn of the crop works out as shown below:—

	Bombay Province Bales.
British Districts	703,000
Indian States	328,000
Total	1,031,000

4.6 per cent above the last year's corresponding outturn but 8.6 per cent below the decennial average outturn at the same date.

Classified by varieties, the area and outturn of the crop stand as noted in the subjoined table:—

Variety.	Area in acres.	Outturn in bales
Oomras	1,313,622	320,964
Broach	488,536	114,743
Surti	430,596	122,060
Dholleras	1,860,114	284,631
Southerns	1,384,569	188,339
Total	5,477,437	1,030,737

Of the total estimated outturn about 50.1 per cent may be credited to the British Districts and the Indian States of Gujarat and the Western India States Agency, 32.2 per cent to the British Districts and Indian States in the Deccan and the remaining 17.7 per cent to the Karnatak (British Districts and Indian States combined.).

U. P. CASTORSEED CROP

The Department of Agriculture, United Provinces, has issued the following annual memorandum on the Castorseed crop for 1940-41:—

The crop is chiefly grown in parts of the Allahabad and Jhansi Divisions and the Gorakhpur district and the seasonal conditions given below pertain mainly to these tracts.

The rainfall received in the months of June and July, although below the normal on the whole, was sufficient for the requirements of the crop and the sowing operations were carried out in time. The rainfall in August was general and above the normal almost everywhere. In September it was light in the first fortnight while in the third week it was general and proved beneficial to the crop; in the last week it was again light. With the exception of light showers particularly in the third week at some places, the month of October was rainless. Practically no rain was received in the month of November and so also in the first and last week of December; the rainfall in the second and third week of December was, however, above the normal. No damage to crop is reported. Germination has been good and for the province as a whole the outturn is estimated at 92 cent. of the normal.

2. Area.—The area of the crop grown unmixed is estimated at 11,859 acres as compared with 9,183 acres (revised) last year.

3. Outturn.—On the basis of the data available the outturn of castorseed grown unmixed is estimated at 3,900 tons against 3,200 tons (revised) last year.

Castorseed is largely sown mixed with other crops in these provinces but from the information available no estimate can be hazarded of the outturn from this source.

COLOMBO MARKET

Colombo: Feb. 26.

Rubber 49 both, sheet and crepe. Yesterday's closing rates were same. Copra 34.75. Cocoanut oil F.O.B. 235.00 nominal.

India's Trade With Shanghai

TOKYO: (By Air Mail).

In the last year's foreign trade of Shanghai the United States ranked first, while India and Japan ranked second and third respectively, according to an official announcement made by the Shanghai Customs authorities.—United Press.

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS.

HEDGE CONTRACT RATES
Bombay: Feb. 26.

Yarn No.	February	April	June
6 1/2s.	126	127	128
10 1/2s.	147	147	146
20 1/2s.	189	192	195
40s.	280	284	285

AMERICAN WEEKLY COTTON STATISTICS (in 1,000's)
New York: Feb. 21

	Season to-date.	This week.	Season 1939 40
Total in sight (excluding linters)	8,736	135	11,336
Forwarded to American mills including Canada and other America (excluding linters)	5,893	159	5,638
Exports from U. S. ports	716	5	4,790
Of which to Japan	53	1	676
Of which to China	25	1	130
Of which to Great Britain	334	—	1,536
Of which to Russia	139	—	—
Stock at U. S. ports	—	3,491	—
Stock at U. S. interior towns	—	3,171	—
World's visible supply			
Of which American cotton			
Forwarded to world's mills (excluding linters)			
Receipts at U. S. ports	2,875	50	6,318

LIVERPOOL WEEKLY COTTON STATISTICS (in 1,000's)

Total forwarded	1,396	51	1,706
East Indian forwarded	202	14	207

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE QUIET

Calcutta: Feb. 26.

The Share Market generally ruled quiet in all sections. Coals, Jutes, Teas and Cottons were moderately supported while speculative Engineering issues, and in Miscellaneous Industrials showed no particular interest. Government securities were dull.

The following were the closing quotations:—

Govt. Securities: 2 3/4 per cent loan 1941/52 95/15, 3 per cent loan 1941 101, 3 per cent Govt. Paper 81/31 small lots, 3 per cent Defence loan 1946 100/15 small lots, 3 1/2 per cent Government Paper 94/10, 5 per cent loan 1945/55 112, 3 per cent U P loan 1961/66 92/8 small lot.

Cottons: New Victoria ordy 2.

Coals: Bengal 355/8, Bengal Nagpur pref 154, Equitable 36/8, Raneegunge 25/6 small lot, Sendra 12/6, Standard 20/7, West Jamuria 30/6.

Jutes: Agarpara 24/15 small lot, Auckland 166 small lot, Barnagore 99/8, Birla 25/9 small lots, Budge-Budge 344, Clive 21/8, Empire 23/8 small lot, Fort William 216 small lot, Hukumchand pref 117 small lot, India 287 small lot, National 21/7, Orient 183, Presidency 4/9.

Miscellaneous: Burma Corpn 5/3, Indian Copper 2/1, Tavoy Tin 1/2, Dalmia Cement ordy 11/6 small lot, Alkali and Chemical ordy 18/3, Bengal Telephone ordy 19, Hukumchand Steel ordy 10/8, Defd 2/15, Indian Iron and Steel 30/9, Steel Corpn ordy 18/10, Pref 116 small lot, B 1 Corpn ordy 4/9, Pref 181 small lots, Dunlop Rubber ordy 35/12 small lot, Second pref 115, Bengal Paper 124, Titaghur Paper prefd ordy 5/4, Ordy 17/2, Midnapore Zemindary 70/8, New Savan 6/12, Muree Brewery 13/8.

Teas: Bishnauth 25/8, East India 9/4, Tezpore Pref 14/12.

Debentures: 4 per cent 1936/46/56 Darjeeling Himalayan Rly Extn Debs 102, 5 1/4 per cent 1938/45/50 Rohtas Industries Debs 102/8 small lot.—A. P.

ALL-INDIA WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA: Feb. 26.

Thunder-showers have occurred locally over the region from East Gujarat and South Rajputana to East Central India and East Central Provinces. A few thunder-showers are also reported in North Hyderabad and Kashmir.

The chief amounts of rainfall are: Neemuch, Pachmarhi and Dessa one inch; Udaipur and Jalgaon 3/4; Guna, Hoshangabad, Saugor Cant. Kotah and Abu 1/2; Aurangabad 1/4.

Night temperatures were appreciably above normal in East Gujarat, North Bombay Deccan and East Central India.

Forecast until the evening of 27th: Thunder-showers will be fairly widespread in West Central Provinces and local in Central India, Berar and East Central Provinces. Scattered thunder-showers may also occur in Chota Nagpur, United Provinces, East Rajputana, North Deccan and the extreme North of the country. Night temperatures may fall in Gujarat, North Bombay Deccan and rise in North-East India.—A. P.

BHARAT NATYA EXPONENT DEAD

MADRAS, Feb. 26

The death occurred here of Mr. Kandappa Pillai, a well-known teacher of Bharat Natya in South India, at the age of 42.

Mr. Kandappa was invited to Almora last year, where he spent about eight months at Uday Shanker's art centre. It will be recalled that the late Mr. Pillai accompanied Balasarswati the well-known danseuse in her dance recital.

CAPITAL OF ITALIAN SOMALILAND FALLS

(Continued from page 1)

continued thrusts of three fronts.

"In Eritrea", says the 'communique', "Our northern column advancing towards Keren has again made satisfactory progress. About Keren itself, local activity continues. In Abyssinia, patriot forces supported by British troops have successfully increased the area of their penetration in the Gojjam and further south, causing the evacuation of more Italian posts. Following the enemy withdrawal from Italian and British Moyale, both places have been occupied by the South African troops.

In Italian Somaliland, West African troops yesterday captured Brava from which port our advance is again continuing. In the Gelib area, prisoners so far counted number 64 officers and 423 other ranks together with 886 colonial troops."

Over 3,000 Prisoners

A South African formation captured Gelib after having crossed the river near the mouth and made an exceedingly rapid march for sixty miles up the river clearing enemy position all the way, says an official 'communique'.

Here East African formations having crossed the bridgeheads seized by a Gold Coast regiment, carried out a night march through desert country, and cut the only road communication between Gelib and Brava, thus preventing the escape of the main body. The Gold Coast bridge, which had borne the brunt of the early fighting across the Juba completed the operation and cut off all avenues of escape to the north.

A conservative estimate of the number of prisoners taken is three thousand, while in addition, many enemy who escaped to the bush are now returning and surrendering. An aeroplane reported that enemy retreating along the beach thirty miles from the Juba waved white flags in Token of their desire to surrender. Large quantities of guns and ammunition were captured.

The South African airforce co-operated in the capture of Gelib, machine-gunning enemy transport, which was trying to escape. Bombardment of enemy positions and dumps farther along the coast was successfully carried out by the navy.—Reuter.

Football

INTER-PROVINCIAL TOURNAMENT

The Inter-Provincial Football Tournament, which will be held for the first time this year has already interested various football governing bodies.

The U. P. Sports Control Board have decided to enter a team.

Information is now available that, it was decided at a recent meeting of the Dacca Sporting Association to participate in the Inter-Provincial Tournament. Other centres have favourably viewed the competition and will enter.

It will be recalled that at the annual meeting of the All-India Football Federation the question of holding an Inter-Provincial Football Tournament came up before the Federation and it was decided to inaugurate such a tournament this year. The Tournament will be played on the Zonal bases. The trophy for this tournament will be the Santosh Memorial Cup and is to be donated by the Indian Football Association. There will be four Zones, A, B, C and D.

ZONE "A":—North-West Frontier Province, North-West India Football Association and the Army Sports Control Board.

ZONE "B":—Delhi Football Association, Rajputana Football Association and Sind.

ZONE "C":—Indian Football Association, Dacca Sports Association and Bihar Olympic Association.

ZONE "D":—Madras Football Association, Mysore Football Association and the Western India Football Association.

The semi-final of Zones A and B will be played at Delhi. The semi-final of Zones C and D will be staged at Calcutta. The venue of the final will also be at Calcutta.

Bangalore Muslims Beaten

(From Our Correspondent.)
BANGALORE, Feb. 26.

The Bangalore Muslims went out of the Bangalore Police Tournament when they were beaten by the Mysore State Police in the semi-final round of the tournament. The score at the close was three—love.

This was the third meeting of the teams, the sides drawing on the two previous occasions.

The Police scored all three points in the late half. The margin of success was in keeping with the run of play.

Poona Police Trounced

POONA, Feb. 26.

Three more matches were played in the Maharashtra Football Federation Club League.

The Kirkee Heroes remain an unbeaten side, their latest triumph was over the Goan Rangers.

The following are the results:—

Kirkee Heroes 2 Goan Rangers 0.
Ammunition Factory, Kirkee, 7 Poona Police 1.
Indian Hospital Corps 3 Maharashtra Gymkhana 1.

Dilip Bose Wins Two Tennis Titles

(From Our Correspondent.)
CALCUTTA, Feb. 26.

The Shambazar Tennis Tournament came to a successful end this afternoon. Dilip K. Bose beat Sumant Misra in the Singles' final. In the Men's Doubles, Jimmy Mehta and Keshab Mahindra went down to Dilip K. Bose and C. L. Mehta.

Two Killed In Iron Works

Serious Accident In Factory Near Calcutta

CALCUTTA, Feb. 26

Two persons have lost their lives and about twenty others have been severely injured as a result of an accident in an iron factory in Belur (Howrah).

It is stated that while these men were engaged in melting operations, the strings of a tub laden with molten iron snapped and it fell on those working below. The injured persons were immediately removed to hospitals in Calcutta and Howrah where two of them have since expired.—A. P.

ADMISSION TO DENTAL COLLEGE

Plea For Reducing Standard Of Eligibility

BOMBAY: Wednesday.

That the present eligibility qualification of Inter-Science for entrance to Dental College, was too high considering local conditions and ought to be reduced to the Matriculation as the required minimum, was the plea made by Dr. V. M Desai, Dean of the Nair Hospital Dental College, speaking at the 7th annual social dinner of that institution to-night at the Orient Club. The Matriculation was the accepted standard in America and the Continent.

After giving a summary of the progress of College, Dr. Desai said that unless the Government reduced the eligibility standard to the Matric, the flow of students would suffer.

To make dental education popular, he suggested that the Dental Registration Act should be passed and financial protection given by the Government.

Dr. N. F. Vaid, President, Bombay Presidency Dental Association, endorsed Dr. Desai's remarks regarding the Dental Registration Act and suggested that dentistry should be made compulsory and not optional in Medical Colleges, so that ordinary medical practitioners in rural areas might be useful in cases of dental disorders. He suggested the appointment of an Advisory Committee to advise the Surgeon-General and the Health Department of the Government.

Mr. H. P Knight, Chief Adviser to the Governor, who was the guest of honour paid a tribute to the good work of the College. He promised the full co-operation and sympathy of the Government. The Government would give their earnest consideration to Dr. Desai's suggestion for lowering of the eligibility standard. The Government would also bear in mind the question of giving grants to the College.

"Panihari," a solo dance by Miss Minak ahi Shetty and some music items concluded the function.

Hockey:

LUCKNOW-ALLAHABAD DRAW

LUCKNOW, Feb 24.

The replay in the final of the Inter-University Hockey Tournament between the Lucknow and the Allahabad Universities again resulted in a draw neither side scoring.—A. P.

A Punjab Government Gazette Extraordinary notifies that H. E. the Governor has granted assent to the Punjab Entertainment Duty (Amendment) Act, 1941.

WARNING TO PATRIOTIC HINDUS

Don't Join Roy's National Democratic Party, Says Varadarajulu

MADRAS, Feb. 25.

"I warn all patriotic Hindus against joining the National Democratic Party of Mr. M. N. Roy and request those who have already joined it to resign forthwith," says Dr. P. Varadarajulu Naidu, General Secretary of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, in the course of a statement issued through the "United Press".

"I find," he observes, "that Mr M. N. Roy has formed National Democratic Unions in Madras and in certain other provinces and brought into them members of the Muslim League Justice Party, Peoples' Party and other non-Congress elements that are well-known in the country for their anti-national activities. It pains me to see Mr. Roy, once a great revolutionary and patriot playing into the hands of certain groups who are bent on breaking the political integrity and cultural unity of India.

"As the General Secretary of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, I consider it my duty to warn patriotic Hindus against joining the National Democratic Party. If any member of the Hindu Mahasabha has joined this group I request him to resign his membership thereof forthwith.—United Press.

WORLD'S MORAL REARMAMENT

Movement Started In Europe Too Late, Says Roger Hicks

MADRAS, Feb. 26.

In Europe, moral and spiritual rearmament was started too late to prevent the war, stated Mr. Roger Hicks, an exponent of the moral rearmament of the world who is now in Madras, addressing the members of the Madras Rotary Club.

Mr. Hicks who had discussions with Mahatma Gandhi and other prominent leaders during his one year tour of North India said that moral rearmament applied to India would enable the communities to understand each other better and come closer together.—A. P.

Notorious Outlaw Arrested

BANNU, Feb. 26.

Titi, a notorious outlaw, has been arrested by Gulzam Khan, Khassadar Havildar, stationed at Tabinarai outpost, in Mohdkhel Wazri area. Titi is believed to have participated in several raids and kidnappings.—A. P.

NASIK'S "NO" TO JAMNADAS MEHTA

(From Our Correspondent.)
NASIK, (By Mail).

Pandemonium prevailed at the meeting which Mr. Jamnadas Mehta attempted to address here on the night of Feb. 22 in connection with the forthcoming by-election to the Central Legislative Assembly.

Mr. Mehta, regretting the refusal of the audience even to give him a patient hearing, remarked that they could make it impossible for him to address the meeting and to win the by-election, but thereby they would not be able to win independence.

Tarkateerth Laxman Shastri Joshi from Wai, Satara District, who addressed the meeting earlier, was similarly interrupted when he began to address the gathering.

Anti-Indian Move In Ceylon

Control Of Immigration And Registration Of Non-Ceylonese

COLOMBO, Feb. 26

Two Bills, one for regulating and controlling the entry of non-Ceylonese into Ceylon and the other for the registration of persons in Ceylon who do not possess Ceylon domicile or origin, it is understood, have been approved by the Board of Ministers.

Press forecasts of the Bills which are expected to be introduced in the State Council on March 4 show that the Immigration Bill requires immigrants to possess in addition to a passport, one of the two kinds of permits issued by the Controller of Immigration. The A-Class permit will entitle persons to enter Ceylon and reside in the country for an indefinite period, while the B-Class permit will entitle the holder to reside for a definite period specified in the permit. Visitors to Ceylon and passengers passing through its ports will be allowed to enter on the usual passport.

Every adult non-Ceylonese is to be registered under the Second Bill.

INDIA GOVT.'S MESSAGE TO CEYLON

The "Times of Ceylon" understands that the Government of India has sent a message to the Government of Ceylon stating that serious repercussions are likely to follow any unilateral action regarding the question of immigration which the Government of India contends, should form part of a general settlement of all Indo-Ceylon problems. The Board of Ministers, the paper adds, had this message while considering the draft bills which have now been approved.—A. P.

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Bombay & Suburbs

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

To-day

Hindu: Phalgun Sud 1, 1997
Muslim: Safar 1, 1360
Parsi: Shehrever 26, 1310
Hightide: 00-54; 13-05
Lowtide: 6-59; 18-59
Sunrise: 7h. 0m.
Sunset: 6h. 44m.

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

There will be no meeting of the Corporation to-day (Thursday).

D'CRUZ ART EXHIBITION

Art Exhibition of Paintings by A. P. D'Cruz, at Brabourne Stadium, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Open to the public upto 2nd March.

SRI RAMAKRISHNA ASHRAM CENTRE AT DADAR

The Vivekananda Society of Dadar, has been converted into an extension centre of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Khar, functioning at Dadar, under the auspices of the latter body as from 28th February, 1941.

DASTUR BODE'S LECTURE

Under the auspices of the Mazdaznan Centre, Bombay, at the Industrial Assurance Building, 1st floor, Churchgate, to-morrow (Friday) at 6-15 p.m. there will be a public lecture by Dastur F. A. Bode on "Life in the Great Beyond."

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS, MATUNGA

A Public Study Class will be held at 8-15 p.m. to-day (Thursday) at Putla House, Bhaudaji Road, Matunga. Subject: "The Sevenfold Man." All are invited.

MINT WORKERS DEMAND WAR ALLOWANCE

A meeting of the Mint workers was held on Tuesday to reiterate their demand for war allowance. Coms. G. H. Kale, B. V. Marathe and others addressed the meeting. The speakers explained to the workers the resolutions which demanded dearness allowance for Mint workers and supported the move to hold a conference of Government employees.

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DAILY AT 3-30 - 6-30 - 10 P.M.
TELEPHONE 31045
LAST DAY!
"LITTLE NELLIE KELLY"
STARRING
JUDY GARLAND
TOMORROW!
A ROARING, ROWDY RUMPUS!
GROUCHO CHICO HARPO
MARX BROS. in 'GO WEST'

CAPITOL
To-day, LAST DAY!
at 4, 6-30 & 10 p. m.
THE FAMOUS COMEDIANS
LAUREL & HARDY
IN THEIR FUNNIEST
"CLOSE SHAVE"
A M.G.M. PICTURE
FROM TO-MORROW:
CECIL B. DE MILLE'S
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GARY COOPER—
MADELEINE CARROLL
AND A GREAT CAST.

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AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Close Shave". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"The Mark of Zorro". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Little Nellie Kelly." Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Thief of Bagdad". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"The Great Dictator." Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Pardesi". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
PATHE—"Sanskar". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Bandhan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Lagna Pahawe Karoon". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m
MINERVA—"Nartaki". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Narsi Bhagat". Daily at 3, 6-15 and 9-30 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Madhusudan". Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Raj Nartaki". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Padosi". Daily at 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
HIND MATA—"Sneh Bandhan". Daily at 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Punarmilan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Matwali Meera". Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Dharma-Bandhan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.

MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL WORKERS' CONFERENCE

The Bombay Municipal Hospital Workers' Conference will meet at the R. M. Bhatt High School Hall, Parel, on Friday (tomorrow), to protest against the treatment meted out to them by the hospital authorities and also to voice the immediate grievances of the workers.

POSTAL NOTICE

Superscribed Registered and Unregistered Correspondence for United States of America, Canada, Trinidad and Br. Guiana per s. s. "Pres. Monroe" will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 8-30 and 9 a.m. respectively on Monday, the 3rd March instead of as previously notified.

HINDI VIDYAPEETH

Classes for Sahitya Visharad Examination of Hindi Sahitya Sammelan, Prayag, will be started very shortly. Enquiries should be made in the office of Bombay Hindi Vidyapeeth, Marwari Vidyalaya Bhavan, Sandhurst Road, Girgaon, on week days between 8 and 9 a.m. and 6-30 and 7-30 p.m.

JAYAPRAKASH IN ARTHUR RD. JAIL

BOMBAY: Feb. 26.

Mr. Purshottam Tricumdas has issued the following statement:—"Several friends all over the country have enquired about the whereabouts and health of Mr. Jayaprakash Narayan.

"Mr. Jayaprakash is detained for the present in Arthur Road Prison, Bombay, and his health is quite satisfactory."—United Press.

BOMBAY TRINKET FUND

The Bombay Province and City Silver Trinket Fund now stands at Rs. 61,184. Of this, the Bombay City Committee, under the chairmanship of Mrs. W. R. G. Smith, has collected Rs. 21,000 and the Provincial Committees, organised by Lady Clayton, have collected Rs. 40,184. The Provincial Fund will close on March 31 and any extra gifts or donations given after that date should be sent to Mrs. W. R. G. Smith, Chairman of the Bombay City Fund. More ambulances are still needed and further gifts of gold or silver will be gratefully received.

BOMBAY DYEING & MANUFACTURING CO.

Certain shareholders of the Bombay Dyeing and Manufacturing Co., Ltd., have convened an informal meeting of the shareholders to consider and take suitable measures for appreciation of the 50 years' valuable services of Sir Ness Wadia to the Company. Sir Ness Wadia celebrated his Golden Jubilee of 50 years' active service in this Company in December last, he having joined the same in 1890 and these shareholders are anxious to express their appreciation and gratitude to him at the next annual general meeting of the Company, to be held on 14th March.

GEOGRAPHICAL ASSOCIATION

The closing function of the Refresher Course, conducted by the Bombay Geographical Association took place on Sunday with Mr. V. S. Bhide, I.C.S., in the chair. In welcoming the guests, Mr. Ghate, the President of the Association, expressed gratification at the response made by the schools. No less than 109 teachers deputed by 51 schools attended the course. After distributing the certificates to the teachers, Mr. Bhide said that he was delighted to see that greater interest was taken in Geography in these days. Recalling his student life, he pointed out that Geography played a very minor part about 35 years ago. Looking at the many appliances, diagrams and charts, he confessed that he felt like going to school again.

NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC UNION CONFERENCE

A meeting of the Reception Committee was held at the Servants of India Society's Hall, on Sunday morning. The meeting took stock of the preparation made so far for the holding of the Conference. It has been finally decided to hold the Conference on Sunday, 2nd March, at 3 p.m. at the Blavatsky Lodge. The Reception Committee decided to request Dr. N. B. Khare, the ex-Premier of C.P., to preside over the Conference. Dr. Khare was accordingly approached and he has accepted the invitation to preside over the Conference.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY: Wednesday.

Their Highnesses the Raja and Rani of Sangli and Staff Officer, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. S. L. Bhatia, Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Miles and Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Saraiya lunched at Government House.

The Governor of Bombay and Lady Lumley were entertained to tea by the President and Members of the Bombay Presidency Radio Club at the Club.

The Governor of Bombay and Lady Lumley gave a Cocktail Party at Government House.

Lieut.-Commander J. S. M. Richardson dined at Government House.

Reward For Gallantry

A reward of about Rs. 50 will be paid by the Trustees of the Prabhakar Sule Memorial Fund Trust to any Indian under 30 years of age, who has during the years 1936 to 1940 endangered his or her life to save that of another or committed any act of bravery, chivalry or otherwise to the satisfaction of the Trustees Applications for the purpose should be submitted to Mr. P. C Kulkarni, C/o Messrs. Mansukhlal Hiralal and Co., Solicitors, 5, Military Square Lane, Fort, Bombay, with recommendations, if any, on or before the 31st March 1941. The Trustees' decision will be final.

A view of the non-stop twelve-hour sacrificial spinning by the Charkha section of the S. I. Association, Bombay, on Sunday and Monday.

Around The Courts

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

FILM STAR SAVES LADY FROM WATERY GRAVE

Mrs. Laxmibai Parulkar, aged 50, wife of Dr. Parulkar, residing at Queen's Road, was saved from a watery grave by the timely help of Mr. D. Billimoria, a film actor.

It would appear that Mrs. Parulkar was sitting on the parapet wall opposite the Taj Mahal Hotel at about 7-30 p. m. on Tuesday, when she suddenly felt giddy and toppled over into the sea. A large number of people from among the evening promenaders rushed to the scene. Just then Mr. D. Billimoria, the well-known film star, who happened to be nearby, jumped into the sea and held up the lady. Meanwhile a lifebuoy and some rope was thrown to Mr. Billimoria, who, with the help of the buoy, managed to bring the lady safely to shore.

Later on she was treated at the G. T. Hospital and allowed to go home.

Charged With Theft And Abetment

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

A charge of theft and abetment has brought to light a romance between a young woman and a tailor.

Miss Dowlat aged 20, and Francis Fernandez, alleged to be her lover, were placed to-day before the Presidency Magistrate, Third Court, on charges of theft and abetment. The complaint against the accused is preferred by the relatives of Miss Dowlat.

The Magistrate granted the police application for the extension of the bail period.

Not Their Employee

The Pathan who was assaulted by some other Pathans at Colaba Road near the entrance to a Mill (and who died subsequently) was not an employee of the Bombay Silk Mills.

High Court

ACQUITTED OF MURDER CHARGE

(Before the Hon'ble Mr Justice Broomfield and a Special Jury.)

Emperor
v
Hamidullakhan Abdullakhan ..... Accused.

The accused, a Pathan 22 years of age, was committed to the High Court Sessions by Mr. K. C. Thakore, Presidency Magistrate, Dadar, on 19th November, 1940, under Sec. 302 and 114 of the Indian Penal Code on two counts—first, that on 7th August, 1940, he committed the murder of one Ramanuj Jaymangaising, and secondly, that on the same day he along with two others, now absconding, also committed the murder of one Rajaramsing Achebar and aided and abetted one another in the commission of that offence.

PROSECUTION CASE

The deceased Rajaram was the rent collector of a building known as Shrimukh Sadan at Matunga in which the other victim Ramanuj was a tenant. Rajaram demanded his salary from the manager of the building and there was a dispute over that as a result of which the manager of the building brought some Pathans to the chawl in order to coerce Rajaram. On the 7th August three Pathans, including the accused came to the chawl. There was an altercation, the other Bhayas joined Rajaram against the Pathans and in the course of the fight which ensued the Prosecution alleged that the accused stabbed both Rajaram as well as Ramanuj. Both the Bhayas were removed to the hospital where they died the same day.

DEFENCE STORY

The accused pleaded innocence and stated that he had not stabbed either of the victims. In the alternative Counsel for the accused raised a plea of self-defence to justify the acts, if the accused was held to have done them.

His lordship directed the jury to return a verdict of "not guilty" on the second charge relating to Rajaram for his lordship stated that on that charge there was no case at all to go to the jury. The jury did so accordingly However, on the first charge relating to the alleged murder of Ramanuj also the jury returned a unanimous verdict finding the accused innocent of the charge. His lordship, thereupon, ordered the accused to be acquitted and discharged on both the charges.

Mr. K. B. Bharucha with the Advocate-General Mr. M. C. Setalvad, instructed by the Public Prosecutor, Mr. N. K. Petigara appeared for the prosecution.

Mr. M. K. Azad defended the accused.

SECURITY DEMAND ON AHMEDABAD PRESS AND PAPER

The Government of Bombay has demanded securities of Rs. 1,000 each under Sections 3(3) and 7(3) of the Indian Press (Emergency Powers) Act, 1931, from Mr. Bhaichandra Nautamram Alamaula, keeper of the Raj Ramat Mudranalaya and publisher of the "Raj Ramat" newspaper of Ahmedabad for printing and publishing in the issue of the paper dated January 23 matter expressing approval of the acts of certain persons who were convicted of offences involving violence.

Young Globe Trotter In Bombay

(From A Correspondent).

Mr. Khwaja A. Rahim, who has travelled on foot in Waziristan, Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq and Burma, China, Japan and Philippine Islands and has completed 32,000 miles of travel, has arrived in Bombay. He delivered an illuminating lecture in the Anjuman-i-Islam High School on his experiences and adventures of the travels. The lecture was of great educational value His object is to study closely the lives and conditions of various nations and by meeting great men to establish friendly relations between India and the other nations. He is lecturing to various educational institutions of the country and to the public to acquaint his fellow-countrymen with world opinion about India. Mr. Rahim will stay in Bombay for a couple of days.

Well-known Architect Dead

The death occurred in Bombay recently of Mr. Munchershah N. Chandabhoy, a well-known local civil engineer and architect, at the age of 85. He was responsible for the erection of many cotton mills, several commercial and residential buildings.

The Kharvis of Kanara and Tilori Kunbis of Ratnagiri have been classified as Backward for recruitment to Government service.

BOMBAY WAR GIFTS FUND

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FOR THE R. A. F.

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WAR PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Loud Speaker Programme For To-day.

MARATHI: 8-00 a.m. Recorded Music. 8-05 News Bulletin. 8-29 Recorded Music. 8-25 "Brave Maratha Regiment"—A Talk. 8-30 Recorded Music. 8-35 "Far East situation"—A Talk. 6-30 pm., Recorded Music. 6-35 "Musso. speaks"—A Talk. 6-40 Recorded Music. 6-45 News Bulletin. 7-00 Recorded Music. 7-05 "Hitler's plan of Action"—A Talk.

GUJERATI. 11-00 a.m. Recorded Music 11-05 News Bulletin. 11-20 Recorded Music. 11-25 "Hitler's possibe plan of action"—A Talk. 11-30 Recorded Music. 11-35 "Far East situation"—A Talk. 4-30 p.m. Recorded Music. 4-35 "Japan commits suicide"—A Talk. 4-40 Recorded Music. 4-45 News Bulletin. 5-00 Recorded Music. 5-05 "R. A. F. and the coming air battles"—A Talk.

HINDUSTANI: 6-00 p.m. Recorded Music 6-05 "Hitler's possible plan of action"—A Talk. 6-10 Recorded Music. 6-15 "Far East situation"—A Talk. 6-20 Recorded Music. 6-25 News Bulletin. 6-40 Recorded Music. 6-45 "Balkan Jangle and Yugoslavia"—A Talk. 6-50 Recorded Music. 6-55 "R. A. F. and the coming air battles" A Talk.

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

Under the auspices of the Blavatsky Lodge, T. S., Mr. R. M. Alpaiwala will lecture in English at the Besant Hall of the Lodge, at French Bridge, Chowpatty to-day (Thursday), at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) Subject: "The Survival of the Fittest Man."

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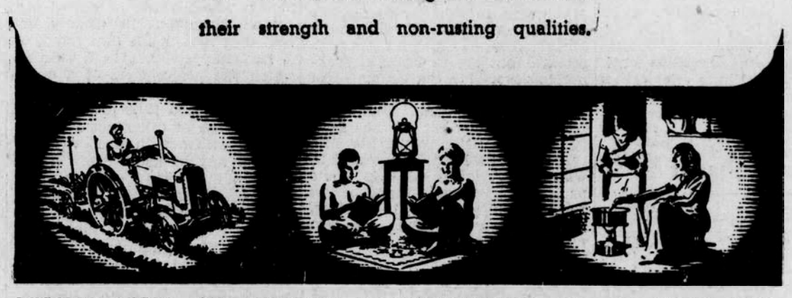

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RADIO CLUB "AT HOME" TO GOVERNOR

Mr. Gordhandas G. Morarji, the President and the members of the Managing Committee of the Radio Club gave a Garden Party to H. E. the Governor and Lady Lumley on Wednesday afternoon at the Radio Club lawns. A large number of distinguished guests were invited, among them were: Mr. C. H. Bristow, Mr. H. F. Knight and Mr. J. A. Madan. After tea, Lady Lumley distributed the prizes to the successful ladies and gentlemen who had won in the Billiard and Badminton Tournament. The Governor's Band played music at the lawn and the guests dispersed in the evening after having spent a pleasant hour.

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LEAGUE'S SELF-DECEPTION

The Muslim League's resolution on Pakistan says: "Mussalmans of India are proud to be Indians and firmly believe in India for Indians." Muslims as a body are certainly proud of being Indians, and it is only the Muslim Leaguers that resent a slogan like "India First". If, according to the League's resolution, India is to be divided into several independent sovereign States, the people in one State will tend to regard only that as their country and the people of other States as aliens. Muslims themselves will be divided into separate rival States, instead of all being the people of one State as they are now. If the idea is that the different fully autonomous regimes are to federate, it will be a special kind of federation, or a confederacy, federated India alone being the sovereign State. That is a proposition which can be dispassionately considered. But the League evades any such constructive proposal, probably because constructive discussion on even vital details creates dissensions in its camp and the only way to hold the different elements in it together is to indulge in negative anti Congress or anti-Hindu cries. That, however, is a dangerous game, dangerous to Muslims as well as Hindus.

Congress Demands

The League Council's resolution on the Congress campaign of civil disobedience states that the campaign is meant to compel Government "to concede the Congress demands, which are fundamentally oppposed by Muslim India as they are detrimental to their vital interest." Now, the Congress demands are three: first that India's right to independence must be immediately recognized; secondly, that a national government must be formed, enjoying the confidence of the elected section of the Central Lgislature; thirdly, that a Constituent Assembly should be called after the war to frame the nation's Constitution. The first demand cannot be against Muslim interests as they, too, demand independence. We do not know if any League members have any reservations on this point. As regards the second demand for a temporary national Government, if the other demands are conceded, there need be no serious difficulty about a settlement on the composition of the provisional Government or even its relation to the Legislature. As for a Constituent Assembly, the Muslim community as a whole is large and strong enough easily to assert itself in it, with or without the assistance of other minorities, particularly because the Congress has offered to accept the safeguards claimed by the minorities referring disputed points to arbitration. Whether the Muslim League as a body will have its way among the Muslim representatives at the Assembly, elected on adult franchise, is a different question. Evidently, the League is diffident about this, and that is why Mr. Jinnah is fighting shy of a Constituent Assembly. The Congress, it may be added, is not irrevocably committed to Constituent Assembly. It has offered to agree to any other machinery which is regarded as an acceptable equivalent by all parties. The Congress demands will commend themselves to all who cherish independence and democracy. They are also clear as crystal and deceive none, whatever may be the other difficulties in the way. Mr. Jinnah says that Gandhiji "cannot fool all people for all time." That is quite true. if Gandhiji is at all fooling anybody. Indeed, no man can fool all men for all time.

Opportunity Missed

One cannot but note the curious resemblance between the League's charge against the Congress that it seeks to coerce the Government into conceding anti-Muslim demands and Mr. Amery's remark that the Congress is seeking to "over-ride the claims of other important elements in India's complex national life". It is clear that the League is unwittingly playing into the hands of British imperialists, who are obviously playing one party in India against another so as to benefit only themselves. By relying upon them rather than on fellow-Indians in safeguarding the interests of the Muslims the League is doing the greatest disservice to the very people whom it seeks to serve. The first question before patriotic Muslims as before all other patriotic Indians is to win freedom for all, freedom from every trace of foreign domination. By doing nothing for freedom as such and by only hindering the attempts of others to win it, the League is discrediting itself before the world. Not many Muslims will be blinded to this fact by the glamour of the new-fangled scheme of Pakistan. Neither the Indians nor the British will encourage any such scheme. Serious persistence in it can only retard for some time the advent of freedom for India. That may be some effective spiting of the Congress, but it can do no good to Muslims. If, on the contrary, the League works for freedom, preferably in conjunction with the Congress, there may yet be another Congress-League scheme, worthier far than that of twenty-five years ago. The fight for freedom cannot be effective without the maximum Hindu-Muslim co-operation. That is why we have urged, over and over again, that both the Congress and the League should miss no opportunity of bringing about an inter-communal settlement that will ensure such co-operation. The conditions created by the war present a unique opportunity and it is a tragedy that this opportunity is being missed.

The Unkindest Cut

It is a great pity that the Bombay Municipal Corporation has reduced the grant for free milk supply to poor under-nourished children in municipal schools from Rs. 1,20,000 recommended by the Commissioner to only Rs. 5,000. And not the least distressing part of the affair is that with one or two honourable exceptions the Congress Party and a Labour member supported the reduction. Last year the Corporation spent Rs. 60,000 for this purpose and it appears that the children concerned showed much benefit, though one member doubted whether the growth of children recorded during the year was really due to the supply of free milk. It is well known that milk is an invaluable ingredient in the diet of children, for which there is no substitute, that it is not only easily assimilated but helps the assimilation of other useful ingredients in the diet, and that by building up the children's power of resistance to disease it prevents many illnesses. Money spent on milk for under-nourished children is, therefore, wise economy as it saves a great deal more than otherwise may have to be spent on hospitals. That is why progressive municipalities do not grudge the necessary amount for this purpose, though they may not be rich. If this is conceded, what an unedifying spectacle is provided by the First City in India!

In order to extend the scope of this relief of proved utility the Commissioner, who can never be unforgetful of economy in framing a budget, recommended Rs. 1,20,000, but on the recommendation of the Standing Committee the Corporation had the heart to cut it down to Rs 5,000. The grounds on which the reduction was supported are utterly unconvincing. It was urged that the expenditure on milk would be a waste in the absence of "a scientific investigation regarding the environments of the schools". Whatever this may mean, the Corporation is surely capable of carrying on every necessary scientific investigation. It was also urged that sometimes the quality of milk supplied was found to be defective and on one occasion a vessal containing milk was found to contain pieces of glass. Now, rare exceptions cannot be a bar to the rule. The quinine and several other drugs in some of the Municipal hospitals can be found to be adulterated. But that would be no argument against continuing the use of the drugs. That only calls for greater care in the purchases. The same is true of the milk for school children. If sufficient care is taken good milk can be secured here as it is elsewhere. We cannot believe that the Corporation is too incompetent to take the necessary care.

One member suggested that instead of milk school-children should be given greens, onions and jaggery. It is true green vegetables, like green grass, possess some useful vitamins. But, as we have suggested above, for the purpose in view, these stuffs are no substitute for milk for growing children. Nor is it wise economy to grudge children the minimum amount of milk they need. Some poor individuals cannot afford it. But the Bombay municipality can afford it, if any municipality can. We earnestly hope the Corporation will yet be able to reconsider its decision.

Handwriting And The Law

By JAL R. VIMADALAL

"Manifold as are the points of difference in the infinite variety in which one man differs from another, there is nothing in which men differ more than in handwriting; and when a man comes forward and says, 'You believe that such a person is dead and gone; he is not, I am the man,' if I knew the handwriting of the man supposed to be dead, the first thing I would do would be to say 'sit down and write' that I may judge whether your handwriting is of the man you assert yourself to be; if I had writing of the man with whom identity was claimed, I should proceed at once to compare with it the handwriting of the party claiming it." Yes, that is one of the ways in which the Law allows proof of handwriting. As these words of Chief Justice Cockburn in the famous trial of the Tichborne claimant set out, the Court has the power to direct any person present in Court to write any words or figures for purposes of comparison. It may be that the person who wrote or signed a certain document in dispute denies that it is in his own hand, or it may happen that in a case in which the genuineness of a document is in dispute the person who wrote or signed it is dead or for some reason or other not available to give evidence in the witness-box—in any of these cases there are two more ways in which the law allows handwriting to be proved. First, by the opinion of handwriting experts, and, second, by the opinion of any person acquainted with the handwriting of the person by whom the document in dispute is supposed to be written or signed. The normal rule is that the law does not permit a witness to express his opinion, but merely to testify to what he actually saw or heard or perceived by his own senses. However, the methods of proving handwriting are exceptions to the ordinary rule of exclusion of opinion evidence. A person is in law said to be acquainted with the handwriting of another person either when he has himself seen that person write or when in the ordinary course of business habitually he has occasion to become acquainted with the handwriting of that other person. For instance, a record-keeper, who in the course of his official duty has to file papers invariably sent to him, is competent to testify to the handwriting of a person whose papers are usually so filed with him. Those were the facts of a Bombay case decided over fifteen years ago.

As to the value of the evidence of handwriting experts, it is generally unsafe for a Court to act upon it without any corroboration and English cases have laid it down as a rule of practice that the unsupported evidence of handwriting experts can be of no avail if the supposed writer of the document himself denies it on oath. When the question of the genuineness of a document arises, the court will not generally rely on any one thing by itself to determine the point at issue but will be guided by the cumulative effect of all the evidence before it.

We all know that the same person never writes exactly alike on any two different occasions. Surprisingly enough, therefore, one of the unmistakable texts of forgery is "that it coincides word for word, line for line and dot with dot with another the genuineness of which is admitted".

"Insidious Attempt To Foster Communalism"

ACCUSATION AGAINST CONGRESS NEITHER CORRECT NOR JUST, SAYS ANEY

NEW DELHI, Feb. 25.

COMMENTING ON MR. AMERY'S BROADCAST SPEECH, MR. M. S. ANEY, PRESIDENT OF THE ALL-INDIA HINDU LEAGUE, IN A STATEMENT TO THE PRESS SAYS THAT THERE IS STILL A GOOD DEAL OF HESITATION AND RELUCTANCE TO MAKE AN EARNEST START WITH ANY CONSIDERED PLAN OF INDUSTRIALISATION OF THE COUNTRY AND MILITARISATION OF THE PEOPLE.

It appears from the statement, says Mr. Aney, that the Secretary of State considers it safe and sufficient to depend on what he describes the great Muslim community of 90 millions and ruling princes having their own material traditions and their long record of loyalty to the Crown.

He belittles in a way the importance of the assistance and the help the Government of India is getting from other elements in the Indian national life, namely, the Hindus, Parsis and Anglo-Indians.

Disappointing Feature.

The disappointing feature of the statement is, continues Mr. Aney, that the Secretary of State suggests no practical way to overcome the so-called internal differences which, according to him, constitute the real obstacle to the progress of India towards the goal of free and equal partnership in the British Commonwealth.

He is neither correct nor just when he asserts that the autonomous form of Government has broken down in certain provinces because of the pretensions of the Congress party to override, in the name of democracy, the claim of other important element in India's complex national life. It is well-known that the Congress party resigned offices in provinces on the ground that India was declared a belligerent country by the British Government without the consent of the people of India.

"I want to assert that much of the tension between the two political parties namely the Congress and the Muslim League is due to the attitude of unreasonable partiality of the British statesmen towards the anti-national demands of the Muslim community. Instead of taking proper steps to ill communalism insidious attempts are made to foster it in various ways."

Establishment of Dominion Government with a federal constitution at the end of the war is now definitely conceded to be one of the avowed aims of the war. The only point that is not clear or left dubious is the duration of the interval between the end of the war and the beginning of the new constitution. Government must not, and cannot, rest content merely with clarifying its position as regards the aims, but it must make an earnest and immediate start to bring about those necessary conditions which will go to establish proper understanding, foster and develop sense of responsibility and nationalism among the people.—A. P.

MADRAS.—A further sum of Rs. 2 lacs, making Rs. 74 lacs in all has to-day been cabled to the Air Ministry, London, from the Madras Governor's War Fund for the purchase of fighters for the Madras Squadron.

Gandhi-Bose Issue

K. F. NARIMAN'S VIEWS

Mr. K. F. Nariman, M.L.A., has issued the following statement:—

Recently I had often to do the unpleasant duty of criticising Gandhiji's attitude and policy in Congress affairs. Therefore, I gladly avail myself of the opportunity of agreeing and defending Gandhiji's action. Many followers and friends of Subhas Babu will be perturbed by the publication of last correspondence between him and Gandhiji, wherein Gandhiji had once again rejected Subhas Babu's generous and patriotic offer of co-operation in Satyagraha movement, in spite of his strong differences with him; some will be inclined even to attribute motives and criticise this rejection as exhibiting pettyness and ill will, unworthy of 'Mahatma'.

But I feel constrained to state that Gandhiji's rejection of that offer was plausibly justified on the ground of fundamental and vital differences, not only in the outlook, but also in the ideology and mentality of these two leaders. I do not agree with the assertion of the Secretary of the Forward Bloc, Sjt. Sircar, that there is no difference between 'non-violence' of Gandhiji and Subhas Babu; as is made clear in the last correspondence with the "Times of India", to Gandhiji 'non-violence' is a never changing creed, to be pursued with religious faith, without making any allowance or concession for the surrounding or prevailing circumstances or conditions.

Non-Violence—A Political Expediency

Whereas to Subhas Babu and to the rest of his followers, including the humble writer, non-violence is only a political expediency, and mass satyagraha a suitable political weapon, to carry on the struggle for Independence, in other words, both non-violence and Satyagraha are means to an end, to be adjusted and altered, as the exigencies and expediency demands Gandhiji will adhere to that ideal of the highest standard of non-violence, even if the pursuit means sacrificing and giving up the political goal of Swaraj, while the other rational group, being essentially political, will rather alter and adjust the means, than give up the goal. Thus it is obvious that the difference between the two ideologies and mentalities are psychological and fundamental, and hence Gandhiji's rejection of Subhas Babu's offer, looked at from that higher point of view, seems apparently justified.

But the complaint is, that there is no difference at all, between Subhas Babu's 'non-violence' and the 'non-violence' of Gandhiji's numerous so-called followers, who have nevertheless signed Satyagraha pledges with easy and accommodating conscience, and have been accepted by Gandhiji, though they too feel and believe exactly like Subhas Babu.

Genuine Satyagraha

If Gandhiji was logical and consistent, he should have rejected one and all, on the same ground on which he has rejected Subhas Babu's offer, with few exceptions, perhaps of the first one or two genuine Satyagrahis, like Vinoba Bhave and Brahma Dutt; the whole lot of the rest, if judged by the same standard, deserve to be tarred by the same brush and swept off by the same broom, so far as their belief and faith in non-violence is concerned. It is this discrimination in treatment that is most galling and against which we have made repeated complaints.

The only difference is that the protestants, like Subhas Babu and

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Frankly Speaking

Japanese Technique

In the Thai-Indo-China conflict the Japanese, it is now becoming clear, are adopting the technique employed by their German teachers in the dispute between Hungary and Rumania. Their game seems to be to win Thailand over by giving her much more than is her justifiable due and, after crippling French Indo-China, to occupy the country bloodlessly. Thus they will have at their disposal both Thailand and French Indo-China, like Hungary and Rumania. The game succeeded only too well in Eastern Europe. Will history repeat itself in Eastern Asia? The situation in Thailand is—at least apparently—already favourable to Japan, as witness the warning to American subjects. The position of Indo-China is, however, more obscure. But it is still an open question whether the French will resist Japan or eventually surrender as Rumania did.

Hitler And Greece

Reports and rumours from the Balkans suggest that German preparations for the military occupation of Bulgaria are now complete. It is, however, added that the Nazis would not immediately invade Greece but would rather wait in the expectation that the Italians might yet retrieve their position without help. This is a doubtful explanation. It is true that the Greeco-Italian fight is at present in a state of virtual stalemate likely to encourage hopes of more definite Italian successes. But this stalemate may well last long. And even if it is relieved by some Italian victories—Il Duce himself is rather pessimistic and prays for the spring—the war situation will not be altered in any considerable manner against the Greeks. On the other hand every day that passes brings nearer the collapse of Italy in East Africa and the possibility of effective assistance to Greece by the British.

Uncertain Situation

Herr Hitler will certainly not wait under the obviously false delusion that the Italians will by themselves manage to defeat the Greeks. Other considerations, however, may possibly counsel caution. Mr. Authony Eden and Sir John Dill are already in Ankara having talks with Turkey's Foreign Minister and Chief of the General Staff. The result of these talks cannot, of course, be known. But it is interesting to note here the statement not of any unofficial commentator but of the Turkish Ambassador at Washington that Turkey would remain faithful to her obligations to Britain and Greece. Herr Hitler may, therefore, well pause and ponder whether an assault upon Greece will not be accompanied by a serious risk of involving Turkey. For in that case Herr Hitler would, as we think he knows, take on more than he would have bargained for. But when all is said and done the situation is much too uncertain to admit of any thing like a definite forecast.

Sinclair's New Slogan

In his latest speech Sir Archibald Sinclair, Britain's Air Minister, has coined a new slogan 'Bombing out the German peoples' faith in their Fuehrer." This recipe, however, is already being followed by the R.A.F., though their attention for the present has necessarily to be concentrated upon the aerodromes and ports of occupied France and the Netherlands, from where the Nazi bombers and submarines swoop on their victims. Gradually, however, as the promised long-range bombers reinforce the R.A.F., the German people will begin to receive a bigger and more regular dose of their own Nazi-brand medicine. How the morale of the propaganda-doped German public will react to this remains to be seen. American observers have frequently stated that Berlin will not stand even one-tenth of what London has taken during the last eight months. Meanwhile the confident tone of Sir Archibald reveals that the R.A.F., is now sufficiently strong to wrest the initiative from the Luftwaffe.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

NEW YORK, February 26.

Hitler is known to have manufactured 700,000 British uniforms and an equal number of parachutes for the invasion of England, declared the former Assistant Secretary of War, Mr. Louis Johnson, in a speech to-day. Hitler had also ready quantities of poison gases, he added.—Reuter.

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Apropos of certain recent reports Mr. V. N. Chandavarkar announces that "the Liberal Party has taken no initiative in the matter of calling any conference either in Bombay or elsewhere."

We are glad the Liberal Party is learning to face realities.

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At a meeting at Poona, Comrade Jamnadas Mehta's candidature was supported by Ambedkarites and Royists.

It is, however, not yet known whether Comrade Mehta has turned Pakistani or his supporters Mahasabhaites.

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"Sir David Devadoss advised Government to spend the railway surpluses carefully."

—Delhi report.

They would. They sure would. In fact, Sir Andrew Clow has already refused to squander them on providing amenities for less fortunate passengers.

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M. Hossain Imam, the Muslim League leader in the Council of State, complains that his Party's demand has been "completely misunderstood" by the Railway Member and even "deliberately distorted."

It seems to be a frequent misfortune of the Muslim League to be misunderstood, misrepresented, and maligned.

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The last of Mr. Hossain Imam's five demands was "we are dissatisfied with the present system of promotion and want a better, more equitable and just system to be adopted."

Yes, you are right about what is better, more equitable and just.

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Turkey, declares her Ambassador in Washington, will remain faithful to her obligations to Greece and Britain.

This is an impudent threat which, we are confident, the Fuehrer will ignore by fanatically intensifying his—er—"obligations" to Bulgaria.

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According to the German News Agency, two Soviet ships are now used for carrying Rumanian oil to Bulgaria

We expect the usual announcement—in due course of time—that the report is not "in accordance with facts."

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According to a Vatican City report, His Holiness the Pope has urged that "it is the ask of priests to restore faith in the hearts of men.'

Why not begin with Rome city?

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"I wish to marry your daughter, sir."

"H'm. Do you drink young man?"

"Thanks, but let's settle this other matter first."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

A man seldom speaks lightly if he stops to weigh his words.

Every man who knows himself knows how selfish other men are.

If love would only remain blind after marriage—but what's the use?

The seal attached to a watch chain may be worth two on an iceberg.

"Good, but rather too pointed," as the fish said when he swallowed the baited hook.

It takes two to make a quarrel but when one is willing it is easy enough to find another.

No Fortification Of Tangier Zone

BUTLER ON SPANISH GOVERNMENT'S ASSURANCE; SAFEGUARDS FOR BR. PRESS AND INSTITUTIONS

LONDON, Feb. 26.

The Spanish Government has given an assurance that there will be no fortification of the Tangier Zone.

This declaration was made in the House of Commons to-day (Wednesday) by Mr. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, when answering questions on the Tangier position.

The British ambassador in Madrid, Mr. Butler continued, had now concluded discussions with the Spanish Government.

The arrangements now concluded safeguarded the existing personal rights of the British subjects in Tangier and guaranteed continued functioning of the existing British institutions and of the British press.

COMPENSATION

The British officials of the International Administration who had been displaced would be fully and generously compensated for their loss of office. A special economic and financial regime would be applied to Tangier generally similar to that which existed at present. Declaring that the Spanish Government had given an assurance that there would be no fortification of the zone, Mr. Butler intimated that it was also agreed that if at any time the mixed tribunal should cease to function the Consular court would be re-established and fully recognised. By these arrangements, Mr. Butler added, the present economic and legal rights of British subjects in Tangier should be adequately safeguarded pending a final settlement.

The British Government had recognised the special interest of the Spanish Government in the Tangier Zone and also that it was not possible at the moment for the signatories of relevant international instruments to enter into negotiation. Thus the British Government maintained their protest against the original action of the Spanish Government and had reserved their rights under the treaties in force. The Spanish Government had similarly reserved their position.—Reuter.

JAPAN PLAYS FOR TIME

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are still proceeding in Tokio, they have reached "a delicate stage" says the French News Agency quoting well-informed quarters in Hanoi.—Reuter.

Prajadhipok Sees Danger Ahead To Indo-China And Thailand

LONDON, Feb. 26

Ex-King Prajadhipok of Siam breaking his long silence about Far Eastern affairs said in an interview published in the "Daily Telegraph." Siam does not want to be under the direction of any nation. I am sure that that is the policy of the present Government."

Throughout the interview, the ex-King spoke of Siam, not Thailand, explaining he had not become used to the new name and insisted that the views given were his own personal ones. He denied that Siamese politics were dictated by the Japanese and said that Siam's claim against Indo-China which amounted to not more than rectification of the frontier which was a long-standing one and was not made at Japan's instigation.

He thought it possible that despite the armistice, fighting might break out again. Then the Japanese might say "we must have peace" and occupy Indo-China "but I do not think that Japan wants to fight there yet.

The ex-King continued: "I think she would rather wait and see what happens in Europe before courting a fight there.

But she might count on no one helping Indo-China, and the French alone could not do much to stop her. If the Japanese want to use the land route to Singapore, they must occupy Indo-China and then invade Siam. We know Siam figures in the Japanese schemes of expansion. The Japanese try to make out that they are friends of Siam, and they had said to the Chinese "We love you very much" and look what happened there. It has been the traditional policy of all the Kings of Siam to be friendly with Great Britain and the British Empire. That is the keystone of all Siamese foreign policy, and I have no reason to suppose that that policy has been changed. I still think the Government of Siam is trying to be friendly with Britain, and will not willingly do anything that might make her Britain's enemy. To me, it would seem that Siam would be behaving almost suicidally, if she were to make herself Britain's enemy.—Reuter.

Japan As Guardian Of Peace In East!

TOKYO, Feb. 26.

The French Government was still hesitating to make its attitude clear on the Japanese compromise proposal for a settlement of the Thai-Indo China dispute, stated the Japanese observers to-night. It was added that the Japanese Government was not only keeping a close eye on any interference by third powers, but was determined, pending the French reply, to take appropriate steps for the maintenance of peace and stability in East Asia.

While official circles declined to say whether the compromise was a final or tentative offer, the observers stated that they believed it was final. The proposal was submitted with the strict understanding that both Thailand and France would make their replies before Saturday.—Reuter.

ITALIAN ISLAND FALLS TO BRITAIN

LONDON, Feb. 26.

Castel Oritzo, a small Italian island with a seaplane base in the Eastern Mediterranean was occupied by the British forces on Tuesday states an Admiralty and War Office communique.—Reuter.

OILTANK FIRE MYSTERY

ROME, Feb. 26.

A mysterious big fire which threatened to engulf oiltanks in the Bosphorous is reported in an Istanbul telegram to the Stefani Agency. Five vessels loaded with petrol and paraffin caught fire and the blaze spread to other paraffin-laden boats, and it was only after prolonged efforts that the firemen prevented the flames reaching the oiltanks nearby.—Reuter

No Support To Willkie's Plan Of Transfer Of Destroyers

WASHINGTON, FEB. 26.

Invasion was less imminent than a year ago, is the opinion of General Marshall, United States' Chief of the Army Staff.

This and other views on the war by heads of the United States army and navy were given to the Congress and made public by the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee to-day (Wednesday).

General Marshall added that a year ago, the United States would have been in "a somewhat helpless plight" if the control of the Atlantic had passed to the enemy.

Admiral Stark expressed the opinion that the transfer of more destroyers to Britain on the scale suggested by Mr. Wendell Willkie was inadvisable at the moment, but Government's hand should not be tied in this connection. He said "it is impossible to foresee what we may want to do to-morrow or the next day under present world conditions. Certain emergency conditions might arise under which we might want to make certain transfers of material".

An immediate outlay of 1,533 million dollars in cash and contract authorisation for the army and the navy is recommended by the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives.

Norway Up Against Nazis

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 26.

Over two hundred persons have been arrested in connection with an espionage case in Norway, according to reports received here. The authorities now believe that they have broken up the extensive spy system in West Norway where passive resistance is very strong. The Bergen Police Chief has issued a stern warning against contravention of the orders regarding propaganda in favour of the King and the Royal family. Sabotage persists despite severe penalties. The German Court Martial at Bergen yesterday sentenced ten Norwegians to death, after a trial lasting three weeks.—Reuter.

No Compromise With Jinnah

Azad's Arrangement Must Be Accepted As Gentleman's Agreement, Says Ex-Minister

KARACHI, Feb. 26.

"Unless Mr. Jinnah accepts the Azad Arrangement as a gentleman's agreement which is binding on all parties thereto, there is no chance of a compromise with Mr. Jinnah", says Pir Ellahi Baksh, ex-Minister who is sponsoring a no-confidence motion against the Premier, Mir Bundeali, in a press statement.

He adds that the Nationalist Muslim Party in the Assembly is of the opinion that there can be no compromise with those who are not prepared to abide by their own word. "No one from our party is carrying on any separate negotiations with the League Ministers and we have decided that hereafter there should be no negotiations which might create a feeling that there is any desire on our part to make any changes in the Azad Agreement".—A. P.

Congress To Support No-Confidence Motion

KARACHI, Feb. 26.

With the Budget session commencing to-day, the Congress Assembly party has made its attitude to the Ministry clear by a statement issued by Mr. R. K. Sidhwa. He says that in view of the instructions given to him by Moulana Abul Kalam Azad at Delhi on 31st December, 1940, and subsequently confirmed by his Secretary that if one Minister out of the three Muslim Ministers did not resign to accommodate Sir Ghulam Hussain Hidayatulla on or before 15th February the present Ministry should be defeated, the Congress Assembly party has resolved that as the pact has been broken, it should support a no-confidence motion and defeat the present Ministry and support the formation of a new Ministry.

The Congress Assembly Party's resolution was endorsed this morning at an emergency meeting of the Sind Provincial Congress Committee.

SURPLUS BUDGET FOR SIND

KARACHI, Feb. 26.

A surplus of Rs. 1,00,000 is envisaged in the Budget estimates for 1941-42 presented to the Sind Legislative Assembly to-day by Khan Bahadur Allah Baksh, Finance Minister, the anticipated revenue receipts being Rs. 4,35,47,000 and expenditure charged to revenue Rs. 4,34,47,000.

"Within the limits of the slender finances of our province, we are doing all we can for the betterment and material well-being of our people, but heavy debts and in the disturbing times in which we live at present the dictates of prudence and sound finance cannot be disregarded," observed Khan Bahadur Allah Baksh Finance Minister, presenting the budget in the Sind Assembly.

Sir Shafaat Ahmed Khan's Tip For Indo-British Settlement

MADRAS, Feb. 26.

The opinion that Gandhiji and Mr. Jinnah alone can deliver the goods on behalf of British India and that a settlement of the problem is possible only if and when these two National leaders come together and discuss personally the ways and means of solving it, was expressed by Sir Shafaat Ahmad Khan, Professor of Allahabad University in an interview with the Associated Press.

Sir Shafaat arrived in Madras to-day to deliver a series of two lectures on the framing of a new constitution under the auspices of the Madras University.—A.P.

Greeks Capture Italian War Material

ATHENS, Feb. 26.

The material captured from the Italians to date includes 130 field guns, over one hundred heavy guns, 1,500 mortars and a very large quantity of cartridges and handgrenades.

This is announced by the official news agency which adds that much of this material is now being used against the Italians. It has already been announced that Italian prisoners number over 20,000.—Reuter.

ALFONSO'S CONDITION GRAVE

ROME, Feb. 26.

Ex-King Alfonso has had further grave attacks during the past 24 hours and these continue, states a medical bulletin issued to-night.—Reuter.

FRENCH EMPIRE WILL TAKE UP ARMS AGAIN

Gen. DeGaulle's Declaration Before Hundred French-Canadian Officers

LONDON, Feb. 26

"Despite its sufferings, the French Empire will again take up arms," declared General De Gaulle, Leader of the Free French Movement to a hundred French-Canadian officers whose guest at dinner he was.

The defeat last year was due to bad preparation in the face of the new methods of warfare and was no disgrace and France did not accept defeat which was shown by French troops, ships and planes continuing the fight.

A French-Canadian brigadier said that the ancestors of the officers present went to Canada centuries ago and had never forgotten "La Belle France".

"We will remain united till victory."—Reuter.

NAZIS CANNOT WIN

Menzies Hopeful Of British Victory

LONDON, Feb. 26

The devastation in Britain was much less than the world was led to believe, said Mr. Menzies, Australian Premier, speaking in London today.

The Germans would never win the war by knocking over houses, he added. They could not win till they knocked over the spirit of the British people.

The Empire was merely at the beginning of the task facing it. Australia's contribution to victory would be at its peak, when it would be most needed.—Reuter.

HINDU WOMEN'S RIGHT TO PROPERTY

Governor-General Refers It To Federal Court

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26.

A special reference has been made to the Federal Court by the Governor-General under Sec. 213 (1) of the Government of India Act, 1935, in the matter of the following questions of law:—

(1) does either the Hindu Women's Rights to Property Act, 1937 Central Act XVIII of 1937, or the Hindu Women's Rights to Property (Amendment) Act, 1938 (Central Act XI of 1938) operate to regulate,

(a) succession to agricultural land?

(b) devolution by survivorship of property other than Agricultural Land?

(2) is the subject of devolution by survivorship of property other than agricultural land included in any of the entries in the three legislative lists in the seventh schedule to the Government of India Act, 1935?.—A. P.

MALTA CALLS TO COLOURS MEN UNDER 20.

MALTA, Feb. 26.

The calling up of men coming under 20 and 21 age groups is officially announced to-night. The conscription which comes on March 3 entails local service only except for those who join the Royal Navy.—Reuter.

KAPURTHALA, Feb. 26.—The Maharaja of Patiala performed today the opening ceremony of the historic Gurdwara Ber Sahib at Sultanpur in Kapurthala State, in the presence of a large number of people drawn from various parts of the Punjab.—A. P.

ENEMY PLANES TURN TAIL

Attempts To Reach London Foiled By R. A. F.

LONDON, Feb. 26

Small forces of enemy aircraft which attempted to reach London today were all broken up and forced to turn tail. None of the enemy raiders even reached the outskirts of the capital.

According to one report one of these formations swept over a town in South-east England. Another small formation flew over the Thames Estuary but here again fighters intervened and broke it up.

Small forces of the R.A.F. escorted by waves of fighters swept over the South-east coast in the direction of France early this afternoon.—Reuter.

Attack On Industrial Targets In Ruhr

LONDON, Feb. 26

A submarine assembly and repair depot at Flushing was attacked yesterday in daylight by the Bomber Command planes and last night considerable numbers of Bomber Command aircraft attacked industrial targets in the Ruhr and aerodromes in occupied France, states today's Air Ministry Communique.

The invasion ports of Boulogne, Dunkirk and Calais were objectives last night of a separate attack by small numbers of aircraft of the Bomber and Coastal Commands.

One Bomber Command plane is missing.—Reuter.

R. A. F. Bombers Defy Weather

ATHENS, Feb. 26

Despite very bad weather and intense anti-aircraft fire R.A.F. bombers, escorted by fighters heavily attacked military buildings and motor-transport and troop concentrations on the Tepelini-Klisura road yesterday says an official Communique issued today by the headquarters of the British forces in Greece. All the aircraft returned safely.—Reuter.

Three Nazi Planes Shot Down

MALTA, Feb. 26.

R. A. F. fighters shot down two German Domier planes into the sea to-day when Malta had six air raid warnings.

A third German plane is believed to have been brought down. According to an official communique alerts were caused by enemy reconnaissance and fighter patrols. No bombs were dropped.—Reuter.

OFFENSIVE OVER CHANNEL

R. A. F. Bombers & Fighters Participate In Operation

LONDON, Feb. 26.

For the second day in succession R.A.F. bombers and fighters have taken part in an important offensive over the channel and Northern France.

It is described in an Air Ministry 'communique' issued to-night (Wednesday) which says, "This afternoon, a squadron of R.A.F. bombers escorted by fighters attacked the docks at Calais while fighters carried out an offensive sweep over the Channel and Northern France.

There was considerable anti-aircraft gunfire but very few enemy aircraft were encountered.

At Calais, hits were observed on the quayside and the jetty of the tidal harbour. One fighter aircraft is missing from these operations."—Reuter.

Big Increase In Soviet Defence Expenditure

MOSCOW, Feb. 25.

Heavy increase in defence expenditure was announced by the Finance Commissar, Mr. Zverev, to the Supreme Council of the U. S. S. R. Parliament on Tuesday night.

The estimates amount to 70900 million roubles compared with 57000 million last year and just under 41 thousand million in 1939.

The budget provides for a total revenue of 216200 million roubles and expenditure of 21,5400 million compared to 17,8100 million and 17,3300 million respectively in the 1940 budget. Big new construction projects call for a capital investment of 57,000 million roubles and there is a 40 per cent increase in the appropriations for industry and transport.

Seventy-two per cent. of the revenue would be derived from turnover and income-tax said M. Zverev.

"In connection with the necessity of increasing defence owing to the tense international situation" a draft, he said, would be put before the Deputies, providing for a new system of levying income tax.

Previous rates tended to become obsolete since agricultural profits were now higher. None of the republics recently incorporated in the Soviet Union would fall under the new law. Of 47,000 million roubles allocated for cultural measures, 26,000 million would be set aside for schools. Defence represented about one-third of the total budget expenditure.

The Soviet Union, said M. Zverev, conducted an independent policy but could not ignore events in the outside world and was obliged to strengthen its defences even more.

Prince Konoye Warns 'Agitators'

"MOVEMENTS RUNNING COUNTER TO GUIDING PRINCIPLES OF NATIONAL STRUCTURE WILL BE SUPPRESSED"

TOKYO, Feb. 26.

The Japanese Government does not take a pessimistic view of its future relations with the United States, stated Prince Konoye, replying to a question in the Lower House.

He said: "the Government going forward along the path, which it believes just, but at the same time it will do everything in its power to press home to the United States Japan's real intentions."

Referring to national service or the so-called New National Structure Movement, Prince Konoye said: "It is simply not feasible under Japan's national structure that dictatorship enforced in foreign countries should be adopted in Japan. All 'isms' and agitations which run counter to the guiding principles of Japan's national structure and spirit, which inspired the founding of the Japanese Empire will be absolutely suppressed and eliminated".

AMBITION OF WORLD DOMINATION

Replying to a questioner, who emphasised the necessity of the effective developments of the Three-Power Pact and asked whether Government was prepared to lead in its attitude towards Europe with principles of Kodo (the Imperial way) which guide Japan's movements, Prince Konoye said "Japan's immovable policy rests in propagating Kodo throughout the world".—Reuter.

Churchill's Interview In Japanese Press

TOKYO, Feb. 26.

Mr. Churchill's interview on Monday with M. Shigemitsu, the Japanese Ambassador in London, is referred to in somewhat conciliatory terms by the influential newspaper "Asahi Shimbun" in a leading article this morning.

It says that the interview is not "necessarily meaningless", if it served even a little to dispel unnecessary irritation, misunderstanding and suspicions between the two countries, but it is doubtful to what extent understanding has been achieved.

The newspaper proceeds to accuse Britain of "banding together with the United States in anti-Japanese manoeuvres" and declares "the British and Americans by strengthening their defences in order to combat Japan's economic southward policies may soon reach a stage of unbearable pressure, which may make a Pacific crisis unavoidable.—Reuter.

Peace Prospect In Far East

TOKYO, Feb. 26.

Peace in the Far East hinges upon the replies by France and Thailand to the Japanese compromise proposal for a settlement of the dispute between them", says the right wing newspaper "Kokumin."

The newspaper says that the compromise proposal is understood to have been presented to the delegates of the two countries at an informal meeting of the Japanese, French and Thailand representatives on Monday. It adds "it is understood that appropriate and unavoidable Japanese measures will depend upon the character of the Franco-Thai replies" and adds "the Japanese Government regards the Tokyo mediation conference as an important question whose outcome will have far-reaching effects on international relations. In view of this the Government is determined to adopt all necessary measures."—Reuter.

Naval Bases In Pacific

U. S. Grant For Improvement Of Guam And Samoa Islands

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.

The House of Representatives has voted appropriations of 84,302,000 dollars for the expansion of naval shore stations.

The Senate Naval Affairs Committee has approved a 242 million dollar authorisation for improvements to the Pacific islands of Guam and Samoa.

RAID DEAL

Mr. Carl Vinson, Chairman of House Naval Affairs Committee, told the House that the agreement for the lease of the naval base at Bermuda provided "that if necessary for protection of the base the United States had the right to assume military control and conduct operations within any part of Bermuda".

He stated that similar agreements covered other bases leased from Britain. He said that the British had been very fair in the destroyer deal and had given up without charge all Crown lands, which the United States Navy had decided to use.—Reuter.

NIZAM'S PALACE AS WAR HOSPITAL

HYDERABAD, Feb. 26.

H. E. H. the Nizam has placed at the disposal of the Government of India the State residence at Nepean Sea Road, Bombay, for the specific purpose of a convalescent hospital for the duration of war.

It may be mentioned here that soon after the outbreak of war, the Nizam lent the use of his Delhi Palace for war purposes.—United Press.

Iron Guard Leader Arrested

VICHY, Feb. 26.

The Rumanian police have arrested the Iron Guard leader, M. Carmicha, according to a Bucharest message to the Official French News Agency.

M. Carmicha was arrested at Constanza where he is stated to have been engaged in the regrouping of "death squads", who have been responsible for the assassination of many politicians who have been antagonistic to the Iron Guard.—Reuter.

War And British M.P.'s Sacrifices

LONDON, Feb. 26.

No fewer than 166 members of the House of Lords and 116 members of the House of Commons are now serving in His Majesty's Forces.

Of the 282 members of both Houses 31 are in the Navy 225 in the Army and 26 in the Air force.

The above information is contained in a White Paper issued to-day. It is also mentioned that Viscount Halifax, British Ambassador in Washington, Sir Samuel Hoare, British Ambassador in Madrid and Sir Stafford Cripps, British Ambassador in Moscow, are filling their posts without salary. They receive only expenses of representation.—Reuter.

CHIEF JUSTICE ATTACKS CONGRESS

Sir Douglas Young On Punjab's Role In War

LAHORE, Feb. 26.

The present attitude of the Congress towards India's war effort was severely criticised by Sir Douglas Young, Chief Justice of the Lahore High Court, at a durbar held at Lyallpur yesterday.

There had been, said Sir Douglas, great advances in India in the last twenty years towards self-government and if Indians could settle the form of constitution they desired, Dominion Status which meant complete freedom—was definitely promised after the war. But what use would freedom be to those who refused to defend themselves and freedom, he asked. Was it not time that this amazing bewildering and self-contradictory policy should come to an end and that all Indians should now unite in this, if in nothing else—to fight the common enemy? He believed that unity in this war might well produce unity in other matters after the war, and so hasten the grant to India of all she might legitimately desire.

"VOICE OF THE CHARMER"

Concluding, Sir Douglas said, "I have seen no sign that the seductive voice of the charmer who wishes the men of the Punjab to lay down their arms and allow themselves, their women and children to submit to the tender mercies of a brutal and inhuman foe has had or ever can have, the slightest effect in this part of the province."—A. P.

Gandhiji's Instructions To Women Satyagrahis

ARRESTS, CONVICTIONS AND RELEASES

WARDHA, Feb. 26.

Miss Rema Kantak, the first woman Satyagrahi from Maharashtra, is leaving to-day for Bombay after interviewing Mahatma Gandhi.

It is understood that she will again offer Satyagraha in the first week of March.

It is further understood that Mahatma Gandhi has issued certain instructions for the guidance of women Satyagrahis in jail.—United Press.

In C. P. & Berar:

NAGPUR: Mr. V. M. Jakatdar, M.L.A. who offered satyagraha for the fifth time at Gaikukh fair near Bhandara on February 22 was sentenced to-day to imprisonment till the rising of the court and a fine of Rs. 1,000.

Vidarbha Congress Secretary Arrested

AKOLA, Feb. 26.

Doctor Kashikar, Secretary of the Vidarbha Provincial Congress Committee was arrested to-day at Basim in connection with certain speeches he delivered.—A.P

Karnatak P. C. C. Chief To Offer Satyagraha

HUBLI, Feb. 26.

Mr. R. R. Diwakar, President of the Karnatak Provincial Congress Committee, has notified the District Magistrate that he proposes to offer Satyagraha on March 1 at Unakal village.

Mr. Sangappa Neelagund was sentenced to three months' simple imprisonment and fined Rs. 50. Mr. Parsuram Kulkarni was sentenced to four months' simple imprisonment.—A P.

DR. KASHIKAR ARRESTED

AKOLA, Feb. 26.

Doctor Kashikar, a Member of the Provincial Congress Executive, was arrested this morning at Basim, under the Defence of India Rules, according to news received here from Basim.—A. P.

In Bombay And Suburbs

SUBURBAN WOMEN SATYAGRAHIS RELEASED

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Three Congress women from the Bombay Suburban District, namely Mrs. Kamalaben Sanghvi, Mrs. Nirmalaben Desai and Mrs. Devyani Desai, who were convicted in connection with the Satyagraha campaign in the suburbs, were released from jail during this week.

The Suburban District Congress Committee will resume the satyagraha campaign on March 1 after a respite of five days. The Committee has selected 13 Congressmen for the Satyagraha campaign in March.

THANA: Mr. V. V. Subbarao, the popular Secretary of the Kalyan Town Congress Committee who was arrested last Saturday for offering Satyagraha at Kalyan was tried to-day by Mr. B. V. Trivedi, Additional District Magistrate, Thana for an offence under the Defence of India Rules. Mr. Subbarao who pleaded guilty to the charge was convicted and sentenced to suffer six months' simple imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 25 or in default to undergo fifteen days' further simple imprisonment. He is given "C" class.

95 CITY CONGRESSMEN COURT ARREST

Two Intimate Police Chief Of To-day's Satyagraha

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Over 95 Congressmen will have been arrested in the city of Bombay by the end of this month in connection with the Satyagraha campaign undertaken by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee. A further contingent of about 50 Congressmen proposes to participate in the campaign till April 5.

The list of Satyagrahis for the next month includes about 40 Congressmen. They include members of the seven District Congress Committees as also members of the B.P.C.C.

Mr. M. R. Jayawant, member of the "F" Ward Congress Committee, and Mr. Keshrichand J. Jhaveri, member of the "C" Ward Congress Committee, who have been selected by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee for offering Satyagraha to-morrow, sent intimation to the Commissioner of Police this morning about the time and place of Satyagraha. Mr. Jayawant proposes to offer Satyagraha near the Parel Tram station at 6 p. m. while Mr. Jhaveri proposes to shout anti-war slogans near the Diamond Merchants' Association at Dhanji Street at 6 p. m. on Thursday.

In Maharashtra:

POONA: Mrs. Sumathibai Kirthane and Mrs. Kamalabai Sanghavi who were convicted and sentenced to undergo imprisonment for offering satyagraha by shouting anti-war slogans were released yesterday from the Yeravada jail after completing their terms of imprisonment.

In The U. P.:

LUCKNOW: Mr. Jagdish, Devi Prasad and Sri Ram, were arrested yesterday in Ganeshganj Lucknow, in connection with satya graha.

JHANSI: Mr. Prithvinath Avasthi has been sentenced to nine months' rigorous imprisonment and fined Rs. 100.

Mr. Premnarain Tripathi, was sentenced to one year's R. I. and fined Rs. 50. Nazar Mohammad was sentenced to one year's R. I. and fined Rs. 50. Lalaram Bajpai, was sentenced to one year's R. I and fined Rs. 50.

Kundanlal Malaya, was arrested at Madawara for offering satya graha.

Fourteen Satyagrahis Jailed

ALMORA, Feb. 25.

Nine Satyagrahis were sentenced on Saturday and Sunday to various terms of imprisonment under the Defence of India Rules at Almora and Ranikmet. Five Congress workers of the Pithoragarh sub-division were convicted in connection with the Satyagraha movement.—A. P.

CHOUDHERY JUGAL ARRESTED

NEW DELHI, Feb. 25.

Choudhery Jugal was arrested for offering Satyagraha this evening.—A.P.

In Tamil Nad:

Arcot Congressman Convicted

TIRUPATTUR, Feb. 25.

Mr. K. R. Kalyanarama Iyer, Secretary, North Arcot District Congress Committee, was convicted to-day by the Joint Magistrate under the Defence of India Act on a charge of making a prejudicial speech and sentenced to eight months' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 250 in default further two months' R. I.—A. P.

MADRAS: Mr. A. Narasimhulu Naidu, offered satyagraha by shouting anti-war slogans in the city to-day. He was immediately arrested and produced before the Chief Presidency Magistrate who sentenced him to one month's rigorous imprisonment.

In Gujarat:

Jail For Three Satyagrahis

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 26.

Three Satyagrahis from three different villages were sentenced to-day to six months' S.I. each.—A.P.

Satyagrahi Not Arrested

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 25.

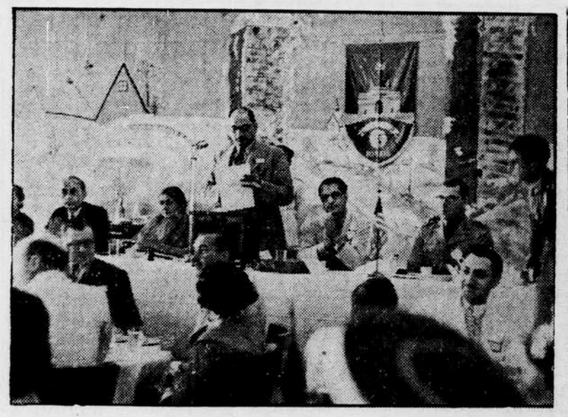
Mr. Bababhai Narandas Patel offered Satyagraha to-day at Isanpur village in Ahmedabad district by shouting anti-war slogans. As he was not arrested, he proceeded to the adjoining village Dani Limba. He has not yet been arrested.—A. P.

Arrested In Ahmedabad Village

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 26.

Miss Charumati Ramprasad Jodha was arrested to-day while shouting anti-war slogans at Aslali village in Ahmedabad district.—A. P.

Mr. C. V. Varad, member of D Ward Congress Committee who was arrested on Tuesday under the Defence of India Act.



Lady Rama Rau (seated next to Sir Sultan Chinoy, addressing the meeting) addressed the luncheon meeting of the Rotary Club at the Taj on Tuesday.

In The Punjab:

NOTICE SERVED ON JAILED LEADER

LAHORE, Feb. 26.

Chaudhri Anar Singh, Leader of the Congress Party in the Hoshiarpur District Board, who is at present undergoing one and a half year's imprisonment in connection with Satyagraha, has been served with a notice by the Punjab Government directing him to show cause why his name should not be removed from the membership of the Board.—A.P.

LAHORE: The second phase of Congress satyagraha in Lahore concluded to-day with the arrest of five Congress workers, including Lala Hem Raj and Lala Behari Shah, General Secretary and Treasurer of the Lahore Congress Committee, respectively.

The third phase of the satyagraha in Lahore is expected to commence next week.

Jangi Khan, an Ahrar, has been sentenced to two years' R. I. for offering satyagraha.

Mangal Dass, a member of the Working Committee of the Punjab Provincial Congress Committee, and two other Congress workers, namely, Roshanlal and Prannath were sentenced to two years' rigorous imprisonment each under the Defence of India Act.

Saeed Hussan, Dictator of the local Majlis Ahrar, was also awarded two years' rigorous imprisonment for shouting anti-war slogans.

JULLUNDUR CITY, Feb. 26.

Autar Singh, Dewan Singh and Pandit Ramjidass, delegates to the Phillaur Tehsil Congress, were to-day sentenced to one year's imprisonment and fined Rs. 200 in default six months' further imprisonment each, for offering Satyagraha.

Mr. C. B. Jagannath, Secretary of the Nawanshahr Tehsil Congress Committee was sentenced to one year's imprisonment and fined Rs. 200.—A.P.

FOUR YOUTHS ARRESTED

Sequel To House Search In Belghurria

CALCUTTA, Feb. 26.

Madhab Chandra Modak, a college student, has been arrested by the Special Branch of the Calcutta Police on a charge of distributing certain leaflets at a public meeting held last night at Girish Park.

FOUR YOUTHS ARRESTED

The police raided a house in Belghurria (Twenty-four Parganas) and seized a cyclostyle machine and some papers and leaflets of allegedly prejudicial nature. Four Bengalee youths including an ex-Political convict, have been arrested in this connection.—A.P.

Satyagraha Convictions In Bengal

CALCUTTA, Feb. 26.

Nine hundred thirty-three persons had been convicted under the Defence of India Rules till January 21, stated Sir Bijoy Prasad Singh Roy, on behalf of the Home Minister in the Bengal Council to-day.—United Press.

In Assam:

Ex-Premiers In Jail To Write On Kamla Nehru Hospital

LUCKNOW, Feb. 26

The Governments of C.P. and Bombay have permitted Mr. R. S. Shukla and Mr. B. G. Kher, ex-Premiers of the Central Provinces and Bombay respectively, now in jail to write articles for the Kamala Nehru Hospital Special Number of the "National Herald" to be published on February 28, when the opening ceremony of the hospital takes place.—United Press.

GANDHI-BOSE ISSUE

(Continued from page 6)

his friends, are honest enough and openly declare their opinion, whereas Gandhiji's followers, for obvious reasons, suppress their 'inner voice'. The result is, that Subha's Group is disqualified and rejected for its frankness and sincerity, whereas the obedient and blind-folded 'herd' is patronised and accepted in spite of transparent duplicity and hypocrisy.

A Challenge

I challenge anyone, including the Mahatma, to prove that Subhas Babu, in the above political sense, is less non-violent than any of the patronised selected pets, from the Maulana downwards. Maulana Saheb had even confessed his limitations. But what is the use of all these protests and challenges? Just as in the British constitution, the King can do no wrong, so in the present Congress the Mahatma can never be in the wrong. The oracle has spoken and that is the last word.

Incidentally, this correspondence also throws a lurid light on Subhas Babu's sudden disappearance; evidently this was the last straw that has broken even the tough back of that Bengal lion.

Not only the places of patronage and power, but even the privilege and honour of offering sacrifice for the country, is to be reserved for the favoured few, and sincere patriots like Subhas Babu must be hounded out, not only from Presidential Gadi but also from the field of service. That is the non-violent way of killing with kindness and murdering brilliant political careers. This position and attitude becomes more clear when we consider the latest Fascist pronouncement from the new Congress bugler, Mr. Kripalani, who recently in a public meeting at Madras announced "that those who do not go with Gandhiji are politically dead." It would be more correct to say "are politically murdered" and Subhas Babu is the latest and the greatest victim. That is how opposition is silenced, criticism is stifled and mass hypocrisy is encouraged, in the scared name of truth and non-violence.

The Half-Column "By Dim"

In reply to the Nazi invitation for messages telling the German Government what they would like to hear in the way of propaganda, several thousand Americans have wired the rudest messages to Germany at Germany's expense. One read: "Give me a six hour talk on ways and means to exterminate Adolf Schickelgruber. The B.B.C. will be glad to rebroadcast."

Overheard at a party—Journalist to a lady to whom he has just been introduced: "I didn't quite get your name." Lady obligingly: "Miss Hope." Journalist trying to make easy conversation: "Hope——eh—I haven't seen you here before." Lady: "I arrived only this morning. Journalist searchingly: "Where do you come from?" Lady: "Madras" Journalist persevering: "Madras? What takes you there?"

Lady: "My father is posted there." Journalist with the air of one who knows: "Army or Services or Business?" Lady (possibly fed up): "My father's the Governor of Madras." The ambulance was then sent for and the journalist was carried away.

Referring for a brief moment to a series of articles written by the editor of a local evening paper, I would like to say that these also are not the "slight shock" referred to in this Half Column. The trump card—the Ace of Spades—is! up someone else's sleeve or shall I say, nestling in his wallet. It's becoming more and more difficult to hold the secret. I'm just dying to explode.

The R.A.F. boys have, according to Sir Archibald Sinclair, bombed Hamm 32 times, Hamburg 62 and Manheim 36. In fact, they are knocking ham and eggs out of Germany.

IN TREATING A BABY'S BLEMISHED SKIN

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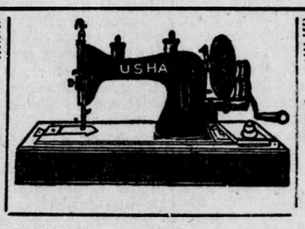
USHA  USHA

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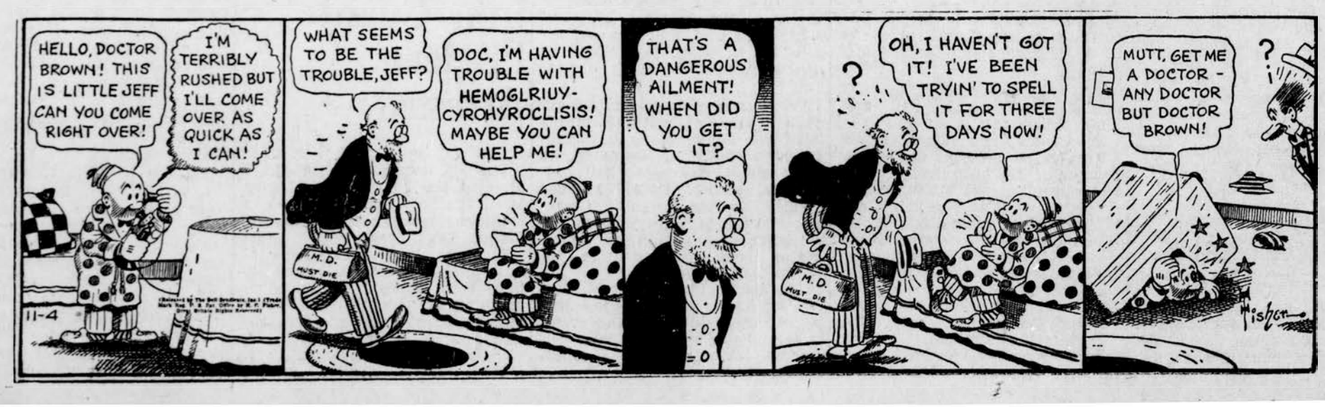
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Hockey

KIRKEE UNITED BEATEN IN CHAMPIONSHIP

Young Sports Score Last Minute Decider: Customs Enter Quarter Final

Young Sports 1: Kirkee United 0
Customs A. C. 3; St. Xavier's College "B" 0

A goal in the very last moments of the game eliminated Kirkee United on Wednesday and allowed the Young Sports to enter the semi-final round of the Bombay Provincial Hockey Championship. This was the only point tallied in the encounter.

Earlier in the evening the Customs beat St. Xavier's "B" by three goals to nil.

Kirkee must certainly be considered unlucky as they played superior hockey than their opponents and should have won. They maintained the reputation of being an unlucky team. J. Phillips failed to convert a penalty bully in the second period and a couple of setters were missed.

Kirkee also had the misfortune to get the worse of some very indifferent refereeing by Referee Joseph. It is a pity that tried men are not chosen to control games in this important stage of the Championship.

The above is written not to detract a wee bit from the gallant game the Young Sports put up against a more experienced and balanced side. They fought every moment of the 60 minutes of play.

THE GAME

To begin with the sides attacked in turn, Kirkee then held the upper hand and the Young Sports defence had a difficult time, but both Mendes and Ismail were equal to all raids. These two often received great aid from G. M. Khan, who fell back at critical periods and rescued his side. K. Nimal, however, got an opening but the Kirkee inside right saw a smart shot hit the side net.

Play was transferred and the Young Sports engineered a number of dangerous movements. One of these might have yielded a goal but Martis, the left half, broke up the raid and relieved pressure, amidst applause.

Kirkee broke away and a long corner was awarded them. A fine scoring effort was sent in by G. Nimal, but Ismail took the ball on his stick and deflected a likely goal-getter.

UPRIGHT SAVES YOUNG SPORTS.

Kirkee kept at it, then followed a bit of atrocious bad luck, Motee sent in a shot that, even Lynn could not have saved the ball hit the upright. Before half time, the sequel to a short corner, was a splendid endeavour by J. Phillips to convert the award. A defender took the shot flush on his stick and J. M. Khan cleared.

When the teams resumed after half time, the Young Sports went across to their opponents' area, but Phillip sent them back time and again.

MISSED PENALTY BULLY

Kirkee then assumed command for a spell. An up-and-down game followed in which a lot of good hockey was seen. Then came the scramble in the Young Sports goal mouth, which ended in the penalty bully being awarded to Kirkee. Phillip and Lynn were concerned in the bully off, Lynn the Young Sports goalkeeper, bettered Phillips. To aggravate the position Motee followed up the loss of the penalty bully by missing a positive sitter.

The last minute arrived and the decider was scored. Young Sports were granted a long corner. There was a scramble in the Kirkee "D". Couts got an opening and he flashed in a high shot. A goal was awarded and the final whistle was sounded immediately after.

The teams were:—

YOUNG SPORTS: Lynn, Mendes and Ismail Khan; Days, G M. Khan and Cohen; D'Mello, Samuel, Couts, De Penha and D'Souza.

KIRKEE UNITED: Merchant, J Phillip and S. Phillip; Galkwood, B. Nimal and Martis; Dhage, K. Nimal, Motee G. Nimal and Jagtap.

Customs Earn Promotion

The Customs started their encounter against St. Xavier's "B" with eight men. Despite this, in the third minute, J. Pinto scored Before the interval two more Customs' players came on but the winners had not improved their position at the interval.

After half-time, though the Customs were taking things easy, two more points were tallied, Milne and Pinto being the scorers. St. Xaviers failed to reply.

THE TEAMS WERE:

CUSTOMS A. C.: Cawton, Hasnain and Aslam; Khan, Brewin and Linche; Milne, Nasir, Pinto and Ansari.

ST. XAVIER'S "B": O. D'Souza, F. D'Souza and Crowe; Carlos, Thapa and G. Fernandes; Leyland Nazareth, O. Fernandes, D'Lima and D'Sa.

Thursday's Match

B. P. H. A. ground—5-15 p.m.—Bombay City Police vs. Customs.

Fourth Draw In 'Varsity Hockey Final

LUCKNOW, Feb. 26.

The final of the Inter-University Hockey Tournament between Allahabad and Lucknow was played for the fourth time this afternoon and again ended in a goalless draw. Fifteen minutes each way extra time was played but nohing tangible could be achieved.

AGA KHAN HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Teams From All Parts To Compete

The Aga Khan Hockey Tournament this year will maintain its high standard as usual the best Western India talent and several cracks' sides from other parts have decided to participate.

The preliminary round of the tournament starts on March 8 and according to present plans the final should be played on April 12. Entries for the tournament close on March 1, the draw will take place three days later.

Up to the time of writing the usual local entries have been received by the Tournament Committee. The Poona area is sending seven teams.

The Up-country entries are:—Bareilly Nobles, Rawalpindi District Association, Nagpur Muslim Sports Club, Brothers' Club, Lahore, Karachi Goans, Lahore Y.M.C.A. and the Bhopal Wanderers and the Muslim United from Madras.

Enquiries have been received from Greer Sporting, Calcutta, Baroda Olympic Association and the North-Western Railway Station Staff.

Lewis Cup

The B.B. and C.I. Railway "B" did not have much difficulty in earning promotion in the Lewis Cup on Tuesday at the cost of Bombay City. The Railway scored five times. Bombay City replied with two.

The scorers for the winners were: Woodcock three, G. Fernandes and Murzello. The Bombay City's goals came from Browne and Raffle.

Due to mis-conduct one of the referees had to order Murphy, of the Bombay City, to leave the field towards the close of the game.

RACING

War Fund Meets On April 5 And 10

Saturday's Handicaps: Bowley For Bombay: Aga Khan To Race One Horse In England

The Western India Turf Club have decided to hold two extra race meetings, on Saturday, April 5 and Thursday, April 10, in aid of the War Gifts Fund.

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The veteran English jockey, Arthur Bowley, who is riding very well in Madras at present, is expected in Bombay shortly

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Bowley hopes to repeat on the Mahaluxmi course some of his triumphs, for which he was loudly applauded back to weighing-in room some years back.

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Winterhalter, a four-year-old, will alone represent His Highness the Aga Khan in England this year. His Highness, for several years, was one of the biggest and very successful owners in English racing

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Two further good English thoroughbreds, Mistry Island and Border Town, have been purchased for Indian owners and are on their way to this country.

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Rupees ten thousand is said to be the figure paid by H. H. the Maharaja of Scindia of Gwalior for the four-year-old bay Indianbred gelding, Red Flower

Governor's Cup Day

The following are the handicaps for the Fifth Day of Bombay Races, to be held on Saturday, March 1:—

BYCULLA CLUB CUP.—Distance 1-3/4 miles

Finalist 10-2, Steel Helmet 9-2, One I Love 8-7, Coeus 8-7, Shrift 8-4, Talma 8-4, Gay Talkie 8-4, Golden Tiger 8-2 Cave Man 8-2, Respirator 8-0, Bistoff 8-0, Harishchandra (late Portmarnock) 8-0, Sea Battle 8-0, San Francisco 7-9, Glory of Kolhapur 7-9, Ati 7-9, Tall Story 7-7, Foxhound 7-7.

ABBERLEY PLATE.—Distance 1-1/4 miles.

Gloaming 9-4, Fire Alarm 8-11, Panaster 8-11, Delhi 8-11, Monocle 8-11, Mona Liza 8-9, Fils de Valls 8-9, Faris II 8-9, Blandstar 8-8, Play On 8-8, Golden Mantle 8-8, Moradabad 8-8, El Morocco 8-7, Brocanteur 8-7, Torch Royal 8-7, Greetings 8-7, Nexus 8-4, Solmint 8-4, Military 8-3, Steephurst 8-2, Vandyke 8-0, Hoddini 8-0, Shivaji the Great 7-11, Chilliarch 7-11, Maratha Emperor 7-9, V. N. 7-9, Dinah's Son 7-9, Lights On 7-9, Retort 7-7, Cash 7-7, Le Duc 7-7.

MORLAND PLATE.—Distance 7 furlongs

Eastern Banquet 9-4, Albertine 9-4, Limejuice 9-2, Gone With the Wind 9-2, Sunnymorn 9-0, Neocell 9-0, Final Glance 8-13, Snailvahan 8-13, So That's That 8-13, Holly Garth 8-12, Desert Sunrise (late Desert Sunset) 8-12, Dighton Valley 8-11, Elia A 8-11, Masque 8-8, Ganymede 8-8, Dabba 8-8, Tantalides 8-8, Don't Shoot 8-7, Full Bloom 8-7, Bastion 8-5, Hassina 8-5, Flower of India 8-5, Mormon 8-5, Right Bet 8-3, Blazing Star 8-3, Ballinahown 8-2, Sun Glass 8-2, Tipperary 8-2, Apple Jelly 8-1, Bobby in the Barn 8-1, Ramban 8-1, Legendary 8-1, Meadow 8-0, Shadrach 8-0, Royal Apple 7-13, Torquemada 7-11, Advance 7-11, Fresh Kid 7-11, Dick Tapper 7-11, Sedgefield 7-9, Sharda 7-9, Bisharin 7-9, Kotor 7-7, Chi or 7-7, Ishrat Sultana (late Enfold) 7-7, King of Sports 7-7, Foxlair 7-7, Night Reveller 7-4, Dante 7-4.

The above race will be ridden by half jockeys and riding boys on even terms.

GOVERNOR'S CUP.—Distance 1-1/4 miles.

Maharaja's Choice 9-4, Fable 9-2, Advance 9-0, Pompom 8-12, Philderer 8-12, Eager Tit 8-12, Zenish 8-9, Oliver 8-5, Red Flower 8-5, Final Dash 8-5, Star of Baroda 8-0, Tomtit 8-0, Amulet 8-0, Osman Pasha 8-0, Miss O. K. 7-9, Rahana 7-9, King's Wine 7-9, Miss Lena 7-4, Rose Apple 7-4.

PUNJAB PLATE.—Distance 7 furlongs.

Orange Flower 9-4, Sammy Brass 9-2, Sweetness 9-2, Shahenshah 9-2, Captain Blood 9-2, Fairy Queen 9-2, Lion Tamer 9-0, Prominent 8-11, Tap Dance 8-11, Mazarin 8-11, Twine 8-7, Lakhpat 8-5, King-Kong 8-4, Bay Nazir 8-4, Marengo 8-4, Rose of Dewas 8-2, Double Oak 8-0, Countess Nil 8-0, Dry Sherry 8-0, Potato Jones 8-0, Fakhr ul Mulk 8-0, Rafle 7-11, News 7-11, Masked Roider 7-11, Belop 7-9, Tyranny 7-9, Swastika 7-9, Finis 7-7, First Choice 7-7, Says You 7-4, Ashavari 7-4, Sun Rose 7-4, Bay Minette 7-4, Farida 7-4, Sherabel 7-4, Miss Deal 7-4.

TURF CLUB CUP.—Distance 1-3/4 miles.

Seventh Haven 9-13, Vasant Kumari 8-9, Firpo 8-9, Pushpamala 8-7, Faruq Pasha 8-7, Hikmat Pasha 8-5, Assaf Mahmud 8-0, Amin al Iraq 8-0, Ubayan Faisal 8-0, King of Diamonds 7-11, King Farouq 7-11, Shayal Mayif 7-4.

TOWN PLATE (Div. I).—Distance 1 mile

Young Tiger 9-4, Tiger King 9-4, Star of Lanka 9-0, Sultana Salim 9-0, Can You 9-0, Fadhli Minshad 8-12, Flouri shing Queen 8-12, Dahman Suri 8-12, Dhib al Sahra'a 8-7, Lu'ayb 8-7, Gaurishanker 8-6, Nur Jehan 7-12, Romantic Prince 7-12, Wheel of Fortune 7-11, Jawahir Pasha 7-11, Silver Star 7-11, John Wilkes 7-11, Spitfire 7-7, Dalli al Iraq 7-7.

TOWN PLATE (Div. II).—Distance 1 mile.

Atilla 9-2, Fire Fly 9-0, Great Star 9-2, Rabdan 8-13, Snapper 8-13, Nalini II 8-9, Taj al Farat 8-8, Sallal Pasha 8-8, Faraj Allah 8-5, Dahman Fadhil 8-3, Zain ul Muluk 8-2, Majnun Anwah 8-0, Burgess 8-0, Marshal 8-0, Nasar 7-12, Shanghai 7-12, Taj Subhan 7-12, Amir al Liwa's 7-9, Golden Dawn 7-9, Inad Naji 7-9.

HUGHES MEMORIAL PLATE.—Distance 1 mile.

The following are the weights to be carried:—

Finalist 9-1, Caerloptic 9-1, Talma 9-1, Passepasse II 9-1, Phakos 9-1, El Obro 8-5, Mayfowl II (late Zingano) 8-5, Panaster 8-5, Ati 8-5, Harishchandra (late Portmarnock) 8-5, National Flag 8-5, Good Fare 8-5, Pierrot 8-5, Lights On 8-5, Golden Tiger 8-2, Illuminate 8-2.

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N.-W. India Tennis Tournament

KARACHI, Feb. 26.

The following are results of matches played in North Western India Tennis Tournament this evening:—

MEN'S SINGLES

S. L. R. Sawhney beat Ramkrishna 6—1, 6—2.

M. P. Dastur beat B. J. Shivdasani 4—6, 6—4, 6—0

Shamshersingh beat Bhargava 6—4, 6—2.

Fraser beat Vasant 6—4, 6—2.

MEN'S DOUBLES

Lalla and Vasant beat Dinshaw and Jagtiani 6—0, 7—6

Shamshersingh and Sawhney walk over Chari and Dyall

MIXED DOUBLES

Shamshersingh and Miss Kavasji beat Westwood and Miss M. P. Dubash 6—4, 6—3.

WOMEN'S SINGLES

Miss Haji beat Miss Khilnani 6—1, 6—2.

Miss M. P. Dubash beat Miss M. G. Dinshaw 3—6, 6—2, 6—2.—A. P.

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Assembly

India Gains By Not Manufacturing Locomotives!

Sir Andrew Clow's Strange Apologia In Reply To Sant Singh's Motion

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26.

The war should not be made an excuse for the postponement of locomotive manufacture in India urged Sardar Sant Singh and those who supported his cut motion in the Assembly this morning to discuss "the suspension of the pledge for manufacture of locomotives for the period of the war."

Members of the Muslim League Party were absent from the House.

LACK OF WILL, NOT MATERIALS

Sardar Sant Singh asked that the question should be looked at from the point of view of whether a Railway system of the size of India's could afford to depend, in the matter of an important part of its equipment, upon foreign supplies. It should also be considered as one concerned with the establishment of a key industry which would relieve unemployment and add to the wealth and tax-paying capacity of the people. He declined to accept the 'bona fides' of the plea that all the materials were not available in India. It was lack of will and not of materials, he asserted, that stood in the way.

"WIN THE WAR FIRST", SAYS GIDNEY

Sir Henry Gidney while fully sharing the view that India's present position in the matter of major industries was the cumulative result of Government's "studied bigotry" urged that the past should be forgotten and just at the present juncture the Empire's needs must take the foremost place. Manufacture of locomotives, he declared, was nothing compared to the need to help win the war. He called upon the Railway Member to make a definite statement that he would not lose a single moment after the war in throwing open workshops for locomotive manufacture.

Pandit L. K. Maitra quoted the opinion embodied in the latest Government report on the subject published after the outbreak of the war that the time was most opportune now for starting locomotive manufacture and that the start could be made without subsidy or protective tariff.

PART OF WAR SUPPLY.

It was not suggested that the manufacture of munitions should be stopped in order to undertake locomotive manufacture, proceeded Mr. Maitra, but it must be remembered the locomotive manufacture was in itself an important part of war supply, because without sufficient locomotive power the railway system would be inefficient and might break down and the result might be that the transport of war materials would stop.

Mr. Navalrai urged that if it was admitted that locomotives could not for the present be imported then the need to build them in India must also be admitted. As it was, the supply of engines was not sufficient and the result was already seen in unpunctuality of passenger trains.

CLOW'S APOLOGIA

Sir Andrew Clow referred to the view expressed by experts who had investigated the question that India had in the past gained by purchasing her locomotives abroad instead of manufacturing them herself. As regards the present he referred to the very real difficulty of securing skilled labour. The Commerce Member had difficulty even in getting sufficient men for training as technicians. The same difficulty existed with regard to materials. An order for twenty-five broad-gauge locomotives had actually been placed for manufacture at the existing Ajmer workshop but the materials were not available. It was true that the report of Messrs. Srinivasan and Humphries was presented and published after the war but the situation to-day was very different from the situation in January 1940.

PREDICTIONS, NOT PLEDGES!

As regards the future, he did not desire to speak in terms of pledges but of predictions. Assuming that the work could not be undertaken now, there was no doubt that whatever the position might have been when the two officers mentioned above went round the country two years ago, the demand for locomotives would be greater after the war than it was now; and while he was not proposing to pledge his successor, who must be guided by conditions that actually faced him, he himself had ample confidence in the future. There would be a surplus of skilled labour, India would be more self-sufficing as regards materials and there would be a larger market for locomotives.

The motion was rejected without a division.

PURCHASE POLICY

Pt. Nilakanta Das' cut motion to discuss "the policy of purchase in connection with the development of Indian industries" was rejected without a division.

In the course of the debate on the cut motion moved by Babu Bajoria to discuss the policy of rates and freights, Sir Andrew Clow assured the mover that when he mentioned examination of the rates and fares from time to time, it did not mean that such examination would result in no increase. He also made it clear that no increase in the rates on food grains was at the moment contemplated.

Replying to Sir Frederick James' plea for an assurance that surcharges on rates put on to meet an emergency would be removed when the emergency passed, Sir Andrew Clow called attention to the point that the growth of the railway reserve was both a protection against further enhancement and offered the certain prospect of reduction when conditions improved. It was true that the railways were at present charging what the traffic would bear, but they were not doing so to the same extent that a commercial concern would have done. It was surely sound policy, said Sir Andrew, to keep rates up to a fairly high level when traffic was good knowing that worse times were bound to come and steps should be taken now to prevent the need arising later of adopting economies, which were not in the interests of the country.

UNIFORMITY OF RATES

Pandit Maitra urged simplification of the Rates System and pleaded for uniformity in rates over all railways.

Mr. A. N. Chattopadhyaya declared that reduction in freights was necessary now to stimulate movements of commodities in the country so as to make up for the loss of foreign markets.

Sir Andrew Clow reminded the House that they were dealing with a continent of which one part differed radically from another and while the freight structure was complicated, it did represent a fair adjustment to conditions as they were.

He also suggested that any attempt to produce uniformity would come up against the difficulty of deciding whether the rates on one railway, which were lower than those on another, should be brought up to the level of the other or 'vice versa.'

The motion was rejected without a division.

COMMUNALISM IN SERVICES

Mr. Govind Deshmukh wanted to move a cut to discuss the policy of communalism in services in the railway administration, but Sir Andrew Clow referred to the fact that an important party interested in the subject was absent from the House and said he would be put in a difficult position if he had to speak after only one side of the case had been presented. He, therefore, appealed to Mr. Deshmukh not to move the cut.

Mr. Deshmukh agreed but Mr. Aney wanted to know if any opportunity would be given to the House to discuss the DeSouza report this session.

Sir Andrew said if it was the general desire of the House he would recommend to the leader of the House to allot a day.

N. W. RAILWAY EMPLOYEES

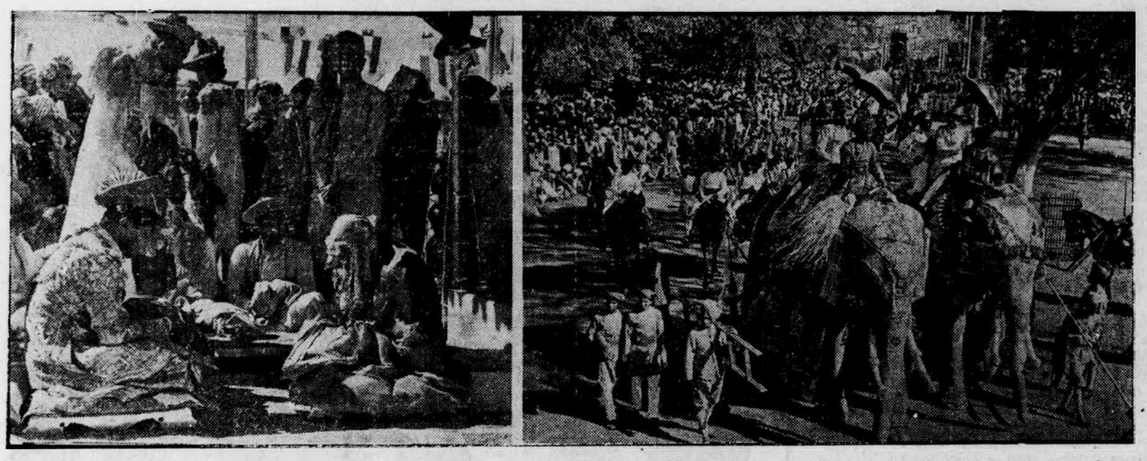
Mr. Lalchand Navalrai raised a discussion on the grievances of North Western Railway employees.

Sirdar Santsingh, supporting him pointed out that in the matter of promotions there appeared to be no regard given for seniority or efficiency.

Sir Andrew Clow, after explaining the position said that the grievances were receiving the earnest attention of the General Manager of the Railway concerned.

The motion was rejected and the Assembly adjourned till tomorrow morning.—A. P.

Gwalior-Nepal Wedding



Two famous princely families were united by the marriage of the H. H. the Maharaja Scindia of Gwalior with Princess Lekha Divyeshwari Devi of Nepal last week. Photo on the left shows the religious rites in progress. On the right, His Highness is seen arriving at the Saraswati Palace for the ceremony.

Radhakrishnan Demands

India Must Be Equal Partner In Comity Of Nations

"BRITAIN MUST MAKE CLEAR BY DEEDS THAT HER WAR AIM IS FREEDOM FOR ALL NATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS"

LAHORE, February 26.

"Is it not possible even now, when the great powers are unvanquished and afraid of each other's might to cry halt and set up a Congress of nations in which all the neutrals and belligerents take their place and frame a structure of the world which will redress the blunders and barbarisms for which we have been responsible and be fair to the generations yet unborn?"

Thus asked Sir Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan while presiding over the Inaugural Conference of the Young India League which commenced here to-day.

WARNING TO YOUTH

"Youngmen, the world over," Sir Sarvapalli added, "have little reason to be complacent about the world in which they find themselves. It is so crooked and perverse. In a world rich with natural and human resources, equipped with the most advanced scientific knowledge and industrial technique, with an abundance of goodwill and spirit of sacrifice, men starve, women are tortured and innocent children suffer. The materials for a widespread revolution are ready to hand, ferment of frustration deep resentment against the existing order, unbounded enthusiasm and energy to do something to improve this sorry state. Young people whose energies are untapped, whose loyalties unguided, whose aspirations ambiguous provide the opportunity for the political adventurers and social charlatans who proclaim their caprices to be the highest ideals of society and exploit the idealism of youth."

REAL CONFLICT

Continuing Sir Sarvapalli said, "the sense of the vast tragedy in which we are involved must give us determination to discover its causes and a resolve to find the remedy.

"The conflict to-day is not between 'civilisation as we know it' and its opposite, or between democracy and dictatorship or between great Britain and America on the one side and Germany and Italy on the other. It is between two contrasted ideas of human society, that of supposed superior races claiming dominance by virtue of a natural law alleged to be above the common ideas of right and wrong and the other, that of an international society seeking the life of peace in conformity with law and justice. We cannot say that any nation is free from responsibility for this war. No nation has a right to be self-righteous.

WAR GUILT

"From the time of the application of gun powder to the art of war, the relations of the white and the coloured peoples, of the rich and the poor have been unrighteous. If the perpetuation of these injustices is all that we are fighting for, if racial discrimination and economic inequalities are all that we have to offer as a 'New World', then this war is an utterly wasteful tragedy

"In spite of the ambiguities of the British policy and inconsistencies in her conduct, some of her bolder statesmen make us believe that Britain is fighting to keep open the opportunity of making civilisation increasingly just and against a system ruthlessly opposed to any such enterprise.

"It is yet open to her to make clear to the world by her deeds that the issue at stake is freedom for all individuals and nations. The objective of building a genuine world order based on the ideals of truth and justice must become an organic part of the war effort."

CONGRESS OF NATIONS

"If this war continues to the bitter end, reckless of the cost of human misery, waste and shame, the victors, whoever they may be, are not likely to be the pioneers of that better order for which we hope. Is it not possible even now, when the great powers are unvanquished and afraid of each other's might to cry halt and set up a Congress of nations in which all the neutrals and belligerents take their place and frame a structure of the world which will redress the blunders and barbarisms for which we have been responsible and be fair to the generations yet unborn. Other wrongs besides these resulting from Nazi aggression other untreated questions, colonial responsibilities shall be open for settlement at the Conference. If there are matters on which no agreement can be reached, they shall be referred to a Court of Equity formed from neutral nations, for no one could be judge in his own case. We can hope for peace only if we realise that all human beings are men of like passions with ourselves, that we have all been guilty in the past, and for the future we are all partners in the common enterprise of civilisation.

"The political unification of the world is bound to come. Need it come by the decisive victory of a single power to the annihilation of all the rest? Can it not be brought about by the voluntary union of national states?

TASK BEFORE YOUTH

"For the release of India's awakened soul, political freedom is an absolute necessity.

"The love of one's country is no more exceptional than love of one's mother. We are not asking for the independence of India for in the post-war world no country will be independent. We are demanding equality and freedom and are ready to co-operate with other nations as a free and equal partner. Communal differences, untouchability and economic inequalities are disturbing the political unity and integrity. The luxurious lives of a few with their easy indifference and selfish indulgence bear a direct relation to the penury and privation of the many. We must aim at a social structure which assures work and security for all able-bodied men, proper education for the young, a better distribution of the necessities and comforts of life and individual freedom for self-development."

Insurance Act Amended

Council Of State Passes Two Bills In A Day

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26.

The Council of State held a brief sitting of forty minutes, and passed two Bills, recently passed by the Legislative Assembly. The first Bill was the Bill to provide for reduction temporarily of the amounts payable as instalments of the sum to be deposited by an insurer under Section Seven of the Insurance Act, 1938.

FRAUDULENT MARKS ON MERCHANDISE

The Second Bill further amended the law relating to fraudulent marks on merchandise. Two amendments of a formal nature were moved to this Bill by Mr. S. Lal on behalf of the Government to which the House agreed. The second amendment substituted Sub-Section 1 of Section 12 of clause seven by the following:

"Piecegoods, such as are ordinarily sold by length or by piece, which have been manufactured, bleached, dyed, printed or finished in premises which are a factory, as defined in the Factories Act 1934 shall not be removed for sale from the last of such premises in which they underwent any of the said processes without having conspicuously stamped in English numerals on each piece the length thereof in standard yards, or in standard yards and a fraction of such a yard, according to the real length of the piece, and, except when the goods are sold from the factory for export from British India, without being conspicuously marked on each piece with the name of the manufacturer, or of the occupier of the premises in which the piece was finally cessed or of the wholesale purchaser in India of the piece."

The Council adjourned till tomorrow.—A.P.

FUTURE OF I. C. S. RECRUITMENT

Interesting Discussion Expected

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26.

An interesting discussion is anticipated in the Council of State on Thursday on the policy of recruitment to the I.C.S. during the period of war. Mr. P. N. Sapru wants suspension of British recruitment on the ground that under the present conditions it is not possible to hold an examination in London or to find suitable candidates.

On behalf of the Muslim League party, notice has been given of an amendment by Mr. Hossain Imam asking for suspension of all further recruitment to the I.C.S. His plea is that such vacancies as now arise in the I.C.S. cadre should be filled not by direct recruitment but by promotion from the provincial service on a provincial basis. The official attitude to the resolution is that the Government of India Act governs question of recruitment to the I.C.S. and decision rests with the Secretary of State.

Charlie Chan Detective Story Day By Day

"A GAP FINALLY APPEARS IN THE STRONGEST NET"

BANANA BOAT MYSTERY

IT'S A MINIATURE BLOW PIPE! BLOW PIPE-POISONED DART-DEAD MACAW-IT ADDS UP!
LOOK, KIRK! NOTE RED PASTE ON MOUTH PIECE!
LIPSTICK! AND LIPSTICK MEANS A WOMAN!
MISS PARRISH! SHE'S THE ONLY WOMAN ON BOARD!
THAT ADDS UP, TOO!
BUT WHAT IS IT DOING IN TREVOR'S ROOM?
CAPTAIN-WOULD LIKE PERMISSION TO CALL EVERY-ONE TO YOUR CABIN-
WELL-IF YOU'RE SURE YOU CAN PRODUCE THE MURDERER-
I PROMISE-YOU WILL HAVE MURDERER-AND PERSON WHO KILLED MACAW BIRD!
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